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New York Arab bank is planned

NEW YORK [JTA] —
An Arab-sponsored bank that plans to open in New York shortly will be required to give a pledge of non-discrimination before it receives a charter from the State Banking Department, according to Ernest Kohn, the department's acting superintendent. He made his pledge in a letter to the American Jewish Congress, which had asked that a condition of a charter for the new bank be assurance against discrimination.

In a letter to the Congress and at a meeting with its representatives, Kohn stated, "the firm conviction of this department is that discriminatory practices or policies not only would be inconsistent with the anti-discrimination laws currently in effect...but are incompatible with the public service function of banking institutions in this state."

Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, Congress president, wrote Kohn following reports that four American banks were applying to the State Banking Commission for permission to establish a new financial institution to be known as the "United Bank, Arab and French, New York." More than 20 Arab banks and several from Europe reportedly would be associated with the American banks in founding the new institution and an estimated 40¾ of the bank's initial $25 million capital will come from Arab sources, according to news reports.

President not angry at Israeli news leak

WASHINGTON [JTA] —
White House Press Secretary Ron Nessen said that President Ford is "not personally angry" with anyone over the publication of a purported Israeli proposal for a second interim agreement with Egypt.

Nessen offered that statement when the Jewish Telegraphic Agency asked why the President was so angry over the "leak" that he made his statement assailing it through the State Department. The issuance of a presidential statement through the State Department is a rare occurrence.

Observers here are puzzling over why the President expressed himself publicly with such ire over a news report, attributed to Israeli sources, which he himself described as "inaccurate and highly misleading."

Bar sought on U.S. aid of millions to Syrians

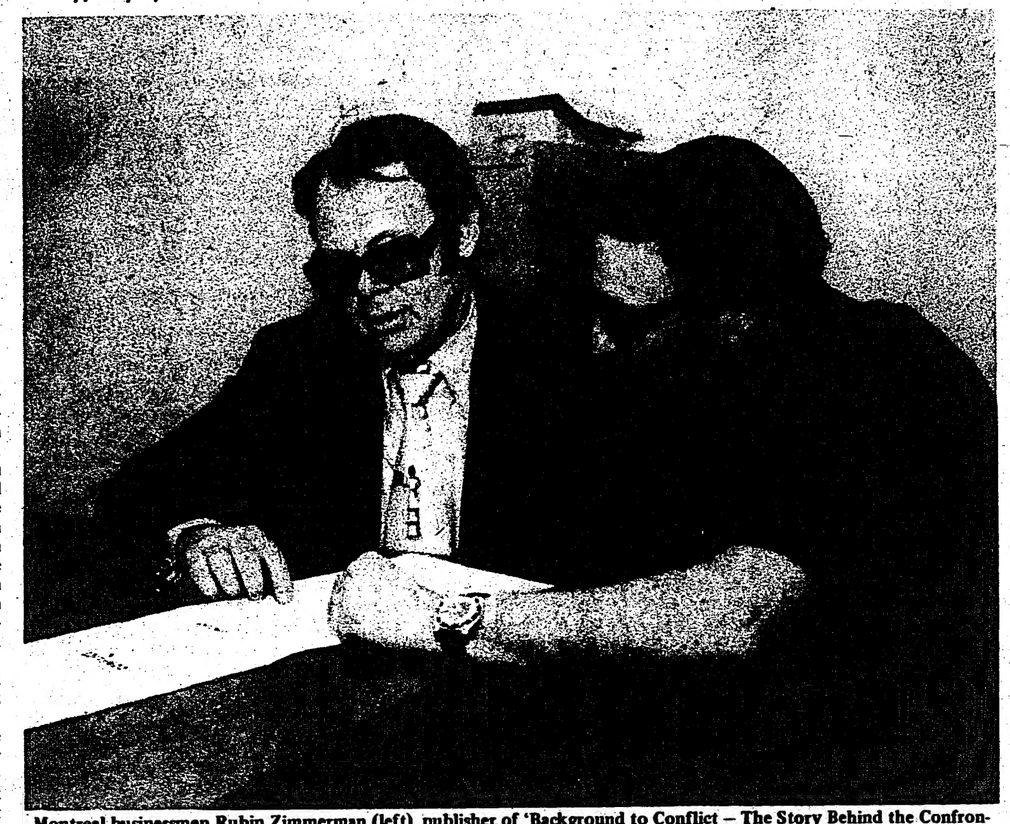
By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON [JTA] —
Three New York Congressmen have introduced legislation barring $58 million in economic assistance to Syria. In addition, one of them telegraphed President Ford to urge him to bring up the subject of Syrian Jewry when he meets the Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul Halim at the White House. A telegram also went to the Syrian Embassy addressed to Khaddam on the subject.

Reps. Stephen J. Solarz, Jonathan B. Bingham and Benjamin S. Rosenthal, all New York City Democrats, urged Congress to block the economic aid for Syria by invoking the Foreign Assistance Act of 1974 that stipulates that the president may not expend funds from the $100 million Special Requirements Fund for the Middle East if Congress adopts a concurrent resolution disapproving such action within 30 days after notice from the president of his intention.

They cited language in the law which expresses the sense of the Congress that funds should not be provided "to any nation which denies its citizens the right or opportunity to emigrate." The Congressmen pointed out that Syrian Jews are forbidden to leave Syria, even to join relatives far from that country, in direct contravention of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights to which Syria is a signator.

The U.S. Agency for International Development has notified Congress that it wished to provide Syria with $48 million for the Damascus water supply system and $10 million for agriculatural loans. Earlier in the year, President Ford notified Congress he was providing Syria with $25 million in agricultural assistance. No action was taken to disapprove of that request as the Congressmen did not want to affect Kissinger's efforts for an interim agreement at that time.



Montreal businessmen Rubin Zimmerman (left), publisher of 'Background to Conflict — The Story Behind the Confrontation in the Middle East', confers with author Joe King, public relations director of the AJCS. (Drummond photos)

Booklet is written to counteract the propaganda barrage by Arabs

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —
A booklet, intended by its author as a ready handbook of facts for a mass audience to counter Arab propaganda, will soon be on the market.

Written by Joe King, director of public relations for Allied Jewish Community Services, **Background to Conflict — The Story Behind the Confrontation in the Middle East** — is "the first concise, across-the-board answer to the Arab propaganda barrage," said its author.

King believes the booklet ("written in anger") "had to be written as nothing exists to the date that gives answers to the myths the Arabs have created.

"The Arabs have hired expert PR people to make up a fictional history of Israel... that has convinced a surprising amount of people."

In the preface, King calls his work "a small contribution to the great effort needed to counter-balance the most extraordinary effort ever made to distort history and use the mythological tale as part of an overall campaign to destroy one of the world's most significant nations."

Background to Conflict has deliberately been kept to pocket-book size, under 50 pages including maps and tables, "to put in the hands of a large number of people the facts in a crisp, brief way...it's usable thing," King said.

The price has also been held "as reasonable as possible" at $1.00 per copy. Orders of over 10 booklets will receive reductions in proportion to increasing amounts.

"In an informational war facts are a weapon. The way you use those facts establishes their effectiveness. Facts are not effective when only a small group of people know them," said King.

In **Background to Conflict**, King has given a brief history of Palestine from the days of Abraham to the present time with emphasis on more recent controversial topics.

Among the observations he makes is that Jews have lived in Palestine for more than 4,000 years, that there never has been a period without Jewish immigration, that there never was an Arab state in Palestine nor a Palestinian Arab nation, and that Jerusalem was never venerated by the Arabs.

Other points include the original Arab acceptance of the Jewish state, the quiet support many present-day Arabs have for Israel and the "romantic fiction" that Arabs sided with the Allies during World War I.

King goes into considerable detail about the Arab refugee problem and reveals that more Jews (about 80,000) were compelled to flee Arab countries because of uncertainty and threats than there were Palestinian refugees.

"Arab propaganda in the past has been replied to in a hodge-podge way. Nobody has written about the actual issues. I have taken each issue with documentation and authoritatively and tersely shown what exactly happened," he explained.

The booklet made its first public appearance at the Hadassah Bazaar last month in Montreal. Several commercial outlets, Jewish organizations, and schools have placed orders. Copies of **Background to Conflict** have been sent to the media and members of Parliament.

Epidemic proportions of massacres viewed as legacy of Nazism

By TOBA KORENBLUM
CJN Staff Reporter

WINDSOR —
In a period of faltering economic systems, accompanied by overpopulation, shrinking resources and food supplies, the propect of genocide, or "the disposal of surplus population" becomes a strong temptation, according to Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, a leading figure among Jewish ecumenists.

Addressing A Continental Action-Assembly of Christians and Jews held at the University of Windsor last week, Rabbi Tanenbaum said torture, mass aggression and genocide in which race, religion and nationality are involved have reached epidemic proportions.

"Even since Hitler and the founding of the United Nations, more persons have been killed by massacre than by the traditional wars that have kept the world on edge," he said.

Rabbi Tanenbaum, national director of the Interreligious Affairs Committee of the American Jewish Committee, told delegates that the erosion in the belief of the sanctity of human life, bequeathed by Nazi Germany, serves as a warning of the results of a state faced with a political crisis of overwhelming proportions.

"Auschwitz has enlarged our conception of the state's capacity to do violence," he said. Today's global violence and the subversion of the fundamental principles of justice and human decency are the "black legacies" of the Holocaust, he told the action assembly which took "Violence, Terrorism and the Death of Dialogue" as its theme.

"The Nazi trauma must not be seen as a Jewish obsession. The fateful meaning of that Holocaust is of ultimate importance to the future capacity of mankind to understand itself and to acquire the resources to cope with the challenges to its survival," he said. Rabbi Tanenbaum, a leading American specialist in interreligious affairs and the only rabbi invited to Vatican Council II, said in his keynote address that the Western World has avoided confronting "the magnitude of evil incarnate in the Nazi Holocaust," and therefore, is not coping with "the forces and structures of dehumanization being replicated in many parts of the globe."

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Plan tight security for Israeli athletes

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —
Israeli athletes at the 1976 Olympic Games are virtually assured of constant police protection for the duration of their stay in Montreal.

"We don't know at this time what the political climate will be like by the time of the Olympics but if it's like now, the Israeli athletes will have a little more protection than the others," said Guy Toupin, chief of security for the Olympics and assistant-director of the Montreal Urban Community Police.

"The extra measures will be discreet; more personnel in civilian clothes will be assigned to the Israeli delegation. We will stay with them all the time, we will eat with them, sleep with them, escort them to the events, to training, when they go sightseeing, everywhere."

Toupin could not say how many of the roughly 12,000 people who will be involved with security will be specifically assigned to the Israelis.

"Discreet but efficient" will be the keynote for security forces at the Olympics.

"It is very difficult to achieve this but I can assure you we are working very hard," Toupin said.

The Olympic Games Chief Committee on Public Safety is still in the process of preparing a program of security measures for the 1976 Games.

The committee is composed of 12 officers, two each from the RCMP, Quebec Provincial Police, Ontario Provincial Police, MUC Police, the Armed Forces, and the Montreal Harbor Police. It is further divided into 13 subcommittees specializing in such areas as VIP safety, the Kingston events, etc.

"It is absolutely secret what exactly we will be doing and can never be told now or even after the Olympics. It would defeat the purpose of security."

Toupin is confident that there will be no major trouble at the 1976 Olympics. "This is not Europe, it is Canada. Security can never be perfect; it can only form a sort of net. We don't want a concentration camp..."

He added that any vulnerable delegation will receive extra protection. A team of Montreal policemen was present at the 1972 Olympics in Munich.

"We will benefit from those aspects not properly covered at Munich. We made a note of all these things and will try to improve in every way." He would not elaborate.

In memory of Munich victims

Ottawa asked to strike a special Olympic coin

By ROBERT AARON

The federal government has been asked to strike a special commemorative Olympic coin in memory of the 11 members of the Israeli Olympic team murdered by Palestinians at the 1972 Munich Olympics.

The request was made last week to one of Postmaster General Bryce Mackasey's personal staff by members of the Canada-Israel Committee, an independent organization sponsored by the Canadian Zionist Federation, the Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith. It seek seeks to promote understanding between Canada and Israel.

The committee has also asked for a short memorial service for the Israeli athletes to be held during the 1976 games in Montreal, and for maximum security for members of next year's team of Israeli competitors.

The idea for the striking of the special coin originated with Mrs. Ruth Greenspan, a congregant of Toronto's Holy Blossom Temple.

It was unanimously adopted by that synagogue's Social Action Committee and was taken to the Canada-Israel Committee by Holy Blossom's Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut.

When the memorial coin was suggested to the government, the committee members were advised that the idea would be presented personally to the Postmaster General.

The committee was told that if the coin was struck it would have to have parliamentary approval, and this might take months.

If the Canada-Israel Committee fails to get Mackasey's approval for the coin, it may proceed to commission a private medal in memory of the 11 murdered Israeli athletes.

Such a medal could be designed and minted in Canada and sold both before and during the 1976 games. Any proceeds might be used to support the athletes Israel sends to Montreal.

If the committee proceeds with the idea, it would not be the first numismatic item with a Canadian-Israeli theme. In 1967, the State of Israel struck a medal honoring the centennial of Canada's Confederation. The medal, struck in nickel-silver, proved popular with Canadian collerctors and 31,000 copies were sold.

Robert Aaron is a Toronto lawyer and a coin columnist.

VICTIMS OF TERRORISM

Yaacov and Simha Mordechai were killed by terrorists last month in Kfar Yuval. There have been many requests from Israelis to adopt their seven-month-old son Assaf. The boy had to have surgery to remove grenade fragments. His father killed two of the four raiding terrorists before he was fatally wounded. The future of Assaf will likely be determined by the Kfar Yuval settlement committee. (Sun)

Observant Jew has problems in Baffin land

Our rabbis have many answers to questions that perplex us, and we await with anticipation their reaction to the letter below which arrived at **The CJN** *office via the Canadian Jewish Congress headquarters on Beverley St. (The Ask the Rabbi column to which the writer of the letter refers, is a syndicated column and its authors are not readily available for comment.)*

Gentleman:

I wonder if ever a Jew had found himself or herself in a strange situation like myself. I am an anthropologist from the University of Groningen, the Netherlands, and my letter is meant for your column, **Ask the Rabbi**. I am studying the food habits of the Iglulingmiut Eskimos on Baffin Island. While I admit that even at home my religious practices have not always been perfect, most of the time I attempt to be at least marginally observant.

Now first I'd like to ask the rabbi about Shabbath observance. In the winter it was easy enough (the mission fathers graciously supplied the wine), although the day of rest was very long, the sun setting about 1 p.m. But now, in what is spring here, the sun never sets. Could you please ask the rabbi when I am to stop work?

I am the only Jew in our camp, alone among my Iglulingmiut friends, who are fervent Christians. Our food is essentially clean according to the law, but it is impossible to prepare it according to kashruth. Yet occasionally, when I can get a dog-team to hunt alone, I slaughter a caribou in what I know of the traditional way. (They are quite tame.)

The last question I would like to ask is whether it is lawful to share a tent with an Eskimo woman, as there is no rabbi here to convert her, nor witnesses to solemnize a marriage.

Sometimes I get your paper from friends, and I enjoy it very much.

Samuel Boerman,
Sparkstraat 8,
Groningen,
The Netherlands.

'Nothing is accomplished'

CJC, CUJS impasse continues

TORONTO —
The impasse between Canadian Jewish Congress and the Canadian Union of Jewish Students continues, despite a national meeting of CJC and students leaders here last week.

According to Gordon Marantz, chairman of CUJS advisory committee, students attending the meeting were not prepared to come up with positive suggestions. Instead, they pushed for a national convention of students to discuss Congress funding of CUJS and student autonomy, he told **The Canadian Jewish News.**

CUJS has about 3,500 members in 26 campuses across the country. Only part of its funding comes from Congress.

Despite the negative results of the meeting, Marantz, a Toronto lawyer, said Congress would formulate a proposal for the coming year and send it to "responsible" students leaders. He declined to reveal any details of the proposal, but was "fairly optimistic" about its acceptance.

Regarding last week's meeting, he said "absolutely nothing" was accomplished because "students said they wouldn't take our money unless they had everything their way."

Congress clearly has the need to provide programming to Jewish students outside Toronto and Montreal, said Marantz. "The vast majority of students want that programming."

The Canadian Jewish News attempted, but was unable to contact students who attended the meeting.

CJC is told Gulf was not involved in propaganda gift

MONTREAL —
A Canadian Jewish Congress delegation led by Sydney M. Harris, president of CJC, last week met Jerry McAfee, president of Gulf Oil Canada Ltd., and senior officers of the company.

The meeting was held in connection with the $50,000 contribution made by the U.S. Gulf Oil Corp. to a public relations firm in Lebanon for furthering Arab propaganda in the United States. The Gulf contribution to the Arab propaganda cause was re-recently revealed by B.R. Dorsey, chairman of Gulf Oil Corp., to the U.S. Senate Sub-Committee on Foreign Relations.

McAfee pointed out that the Canadian company is autonomous and is not involved in any way with the political donation made by the U.S. Gulf Oil Corp. The officers and managment of Gulf Oil Canada Ltd., at all levels, are independent of the U.S. company. The testimony given to the Senate Sub-Committee on Foreign Relations by U.S. Gulf Oil's chairman had no application whatsoever to Canada, he said.

Following a lengthy discussion with McAfee it was agreed that Gulf Oil Canada would issue a statement in the near future.

The delegation included Max Schecter, senior vice-president of B'nai B'rith Canada, Meyer Bick, national director of Canada-Israel Committee and Alan Rose, national executive director of the CJC.

UN conference to bar Israel

UNITED NATIONS (JTA) —
The United Nations Preparatory Conference on Human Settlement (Habitat) which concluded its meeting in Teheran recently, adopted a recommendation to exclude Israel from its forthcoming conference in Vancouver, it was learned here.

According to a report released by the UN, the recommendation to exclude Israel was made on grounds that "Israel always acted contrary to the spirit of 'Habitat'" and for Israel's alleged responsibility for the "involuntary migration of two million Palestinian Arabs and for the destruction of thousands of their homes and villages."

The five-day conference in Teheran was attended by the representatives of 27 Asian and Pacific area nations. Eleven of them voted for the resolution to exclude Israel from the Vancouver conference.

World News

Leah Rabin — wife of Israel's prime minister.

Mrs. Sadat kept herself long way from Mrs. Rabin

WASHINGTON [JTA] —

Mrs. Leah Rabin, wife of Israel's Prime Minister and Mrs. Jihan Sadat, wife of President Anwar Sadat of Egypt discussed the role of women in their respective countries during the International women's Conference in Mexico City and on an American network television program. Their viewpoints on feminism and related matters were remarkably similar.

But the two "first ladies" had no contact on either occasion — largely because Mrs. Sadat refused. Both were delegates to the international parley but were interviewed separately on the ABC-TV program **Issues and Answers.** A transcript of the interviews was made available to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

Noting that "the hope was expressed that you and Mrs. Sadat might get together, that you might get a chance to meet each other," a reporter asked Mrs. Rabin, "Would you still like to meet Mrs. Sadat?"

"Yes, very much so," the Premier's wife replied. "She is a beautiful lady and seems like a very nice, bright person." She thought Mrs. Sadat's speech was "very interesting and very constructive," although "of course, there were a few remarks" with which she could not agree.

Mrs. Rabin added that "I truly believe that it would have been vastly important for something that would serve as a beginning. I mean a handshake, any exchange of even a few words because I am an optimist and I hope to see a settlement in the future, so if we are here together in the same convention, I don't see the reason why not."

Mrs. Rabin said she had made no effort to arrange such a meeting because Mrs. Sadat "has stated from the very beginning that she would not meet with the Israeli representative, and why force her. If she doesn't want to, we honor her wishes."

Mrs. Sadat, who had asked the conference officers not to seat her near Mrs. Rabin and refused to meet her, was spared any question on the ABC program about her attitude towards the Premier's wife and she did not volunteer any comment about her.

On other objects, Mrs. Rabin said that she is "absolutely not an extreme women's lib supporter" and that she is "very much for femininity," but declared "we want to have equal sharing." She pointed out that an Israeli woman "whether she is a soldier carrying a gun or a farmer, she still is the same woman," emphasizing that "a woman is a woman is a woman" and "under any circumstances, she truely retains her femininity."

Rabin cabinet is divided on charter flights issue

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

The controversial issue of charter flights to Israel came up at a cabinet meeting and was referred to the ministerial economic committee for resolution. Failing decision there, it will come before the full cabinet for a final vote — something the cabinet clearly would like to avoid.

The government is divided on the issue. Minister of Tourism Moshe Kol wants the ban on charter flights lifted in order to stimulate Israel's sagging tourist industry. But Transport Minister Gad Yaacobi, strongly backed by Israel's national air carrier, El Al, insists that the ban be maintained except, as is now the case, for religious pilgrims and the nationals of Scandinavian countries.

Last week, Yaacobi flatly rejected recommendations by an American firm of experts commissioned by Kol that the charter ban be rescinded to stimulate tourist traffic.

The dispute was enlivened by the adoption of a resolution at the closing session of the Jewish Agency's fourth annual Assembly here supporting charter flights. The resolution, which came as a surprise, was proposed by an American delegate, Merrill Hassenfeld of Rhode Island, and his wife, Sylvia, who is national president of the United Jewish Appeal's women's division.

In an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Mrs. Hassenfeld said that in her UJA experience she encountered many women who would dearly love to visit Israel annually but simply could not afford it. She said her concern was not merely fund-raising — although, she maintained, people who visited Israel invariably found themselves moved to give more — but more important, that as many Jews as possible should be encouraged to visit Israel and therby identify with it in these troubled times.

Merrill Hassenfeld said El Al's concern for its profitability was narrow-minded. He said that in the broader perspective of Israel's national interest, it was vitally important for as many Jews as possible to be able to visit Israel, especially Jewish youth. The Hassenfelds said they hoped the top UJA leadership would pursue the subject with Israeli representatives until a solution was found.

Protest export of Kfir fighter

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

The cabinet's decision to permit, in principle, the export of Israel's new supersonic jet fighter plane, the Kfir, will have no immediate practical effects on Israel's economy. But it has already drawn sharp criticism from some quarters in Israel and, reportedly, an angry reaction from Marcel Dassault, the manufacturer of France's famous Mirage jets against which the Kfir may ultimately compete on the world's markets.

Government sources conceded that there are, at present, no orders from any foreign country for the Kfir and that it might be several years before any materialize. But the cabinet's decision gave Israel Aircraft Industries, manufacturers of the Kfir, the green light to plan ahead for increased production.

The Kfir has been on the assembly line for some time, though it was unveiled to the public only last April. According to foreign sources, the jets are being produced at the rate of four per month at present. The Israel air force reportedly intends to order about 200 of the type.

The Kfir is similar to the French Mirage V but is equipped with the more powerful American J-79 engine used in Phantoms and incorporates certain Israeli improvements and innovations. Its chief selling point, when it goes on the world market, will be its relatively low cost. According to Israel Aircraft Industry officials, the planes will sell for about $4 million apiece.

Nuclear, coal-fueled plants

Israel's road to independence

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

REHOVOT —

"Ecological considerations are less important than the need to free Israel of dependence on oil producers for her energy supplies," a government spokesman recently stated in reply to objections from environmentalists to plans for two new power stations, one to be fueled by coal and the other by enriched uranium.

Both represent departures for Israel, where hitherto all power plants have been fueled by bunker oil. Naturally, both pose environmental problems.

First to come into operation will be the plant at Hadera, midway between Tel Aviv and Haifa, which is equipped to burn coal and bunker oil alike. It will eventually have four generators with an output of 1,400 megawatts, roughly equivalent to 80% of Israeli generating capacity today.

While coal has been discovered in Sinai, its quality is evidently not very high nor is it available in sufficient quantity. More likely sources of supply are Australia, South Africa and the United States. Despite the distances of these countries from local ports, the price of imported coal, presently about $33 a ton (including transportation), would still be less than oil at $50 a ton.

Officials of the Electric Corporation, which will operate these power stations as it does all others, have promised to tackle coal-related pollution problems by, among other measures, the installation of electrostatic precipitators to remove fly-ash. The use of low-sulphur coal is also under consideration.

The public is certainly more concerned about the ecological implications of the nuclear power plant than of the coal-fueled one, even though, in the perhaps biased words of a physicist involved, "the latter will create pollution problems 100 times more serious than the former."

Public concern has been heightened by the recent statement of nine leading American scientists, five of them Nobel laureates, urging President Ford to re-evaluate the U.S. Administration's nuclear power program in the wake of potentially serious accidents at the Decatur, Alabama nuclear power station — accidents that could, obviously enough, occur here as well.

Nevertheless, the 600-megawatt station will almost certainly be built, the most likely site being along the Mediterranean shore some 15 miles south of Tel Aviv. Talks are now going on with firms in the U.S. and Europe about the purchase of a reactor, while the enriched uranium required to fuel it (if, as seems almost certain, it runs on enriched uranium) will presumably come from America in accordance with an agreement signed last year between the Government of Israel and the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission.

The estimated cost of the installation at today's prices is $500 million, with 60% of the sum, says the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, to be spent in Israel itself on construction, equipment and labor.

'A hard bargainer' is view of Israel

WASHINGTON [JTA] —

U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger has great respect for Israel's prowess as a hard bargainer. In talking to newsmen after the third round of White House talks between President Ford and Prime Minister Rabin, the U.S. Secretary observed, amidst laughter: "I can assure you that the danger of Israel giving away anything for nothing is extremely remote."

A little later he joked that an Israeli friend of his defined objectivity as "100% of Israel's point of view."

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by Rina Rotholz

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More demands on JVS are expected

By MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO —
Recent federal budget amendments likely will increase unemployment, thereby increasing demands upon Jewish Vocational Services, newly-elected president Gerald Epstein told the 28th annual meeting of the organization held last week.

"The Unemployment Insurance Fund will probably require greater payments, and workers will have to accept jobs which they don't really want," he said.

Epstein said JVS has been especially active this past year, its programs taxed to capacity and beyond. "Our present employment and inflation problems, together with the business world's lack of confidence in the future, have made our work very difficult."

Treasurer David A. Rubin declared that there was a $9,000 deficit during 1974-75. Greater expenditures in a time of increasing unemployment were given as the reason. "We will have to consider this very seriously in the coming year," he warned.

The executive slate for 1975-76 was approved, and new officers besides Epstein and Rubin, are vice-presidents William Humber, Joseph Skolnik, Morrey Solway, Michael Steinberg and secretary Richard Krelstein.

JVS, which was established by the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto in 1947, has been a member of the United Community Fund, formerly the Community Chest, since 1950. Its prime function is to help Metropolitan Toronto residents who have special employment problems which government agencies are not equipped to handle. In fact, many job seekers are referred to JVS by government. All Metro Toronto residents, Jewish and non-Jewish, may use this service.

"Last year we assisted close to 3,900 people," said Epstein, "and this means that 10,000 have been affected through family ties."

Organized originally to provide vocational counselling and selective job placement services, it has since broadened its scope to include a number of programs.

The Intra-mural Vocational Counselling Program is designed for young people at school or just out, but increasingly middle-aged men and women are also applying. Individuals come to the Tycos Drive headquarters of JVS for assistance in planning their working future based on their abilities and current job trends.

Extra-mural counselling goes out to the Jewish day schools and other institutions such as the YM-YWHA. Emphasis is placed on remedial assistance. Individual and group methods are utilized. The purpose is to help those who are just beginning to plan their careers, and also those who have a tendency toward maladjustment.

Job placement, yet another facet of JVS, concentrates on the disadvantaged and hard-to-place client, the older worker, the handicapped, the New Canadian, especially the Soviet Jew. Work which is suited to his or her needs and capabilities is sought.

Through the Vocational Rehabilitation Program, clients with mental, emotional, or social handicaps which prevent them from finding and keeping jobs, are assisted. The JVS Workshop offers controlled work experience in a simulated industrial plant.

These photos were taken at the Conference on Tourism held in New York recently to stimulate the flagging Israeli tourist industry. The presence of Prime Minister Rabin marked the first occasion on which a prime minister of Israel had taken a direct part in appealing for support of that country's chief producer of foreign currency. From left is Rabin with Philip Givens, president, Canadian Zionist Federation, Hart Levin of Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity and Rabbi W. G. Plaut.

School board division

'Language, not religious groups'

By ELLIE COLEMAN

MONTREAL —
School boards should be re-organized along language lines as an alternative to the present divisions based on religious denomination, Jewish community representatives told the school council of the Island of Montreal recently.

The Joint Community Relations Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith, Eastern Region, has submitted a five-page brief to the school council, which is planning to re-organize the city's school boards.

Unification of the boards which now are fragmented by religious and language differences seems to be the council's ultimate goal, although it envisages a gradual transitional process.

The CJC-B'nai B'rith brief, while it favors eradication of the "confessional" boards, is pessimistic about the possibility of unification with no regard to language differences.

It is signed by Joel Pinsky, chairman of the Joint Community Relations Committee. The brief was presented at a public hearing by Sidney Cutler, spokesman, Julian Kotler and Dr. Samuel Lewin.

"Recent developments in socio-economic and political practices have created a climate of anxiety which leads us to believe that at the present time society has not reached a level of development to enable us to put into practice the philosophy of unified school boards.

"...although unified boards have some attraction, the minority will suffer in terms of services afforded, given the present mood. Language boards as a transitional step would be a more acceptable form of alternative today than unified boards and superior to the status quo, i.e. confessional boards."

The brief states that the majority of the Jewish community considers the English language "an essential ingredient in the educational process," since the community seeks involvement in national as well as provincial forums of education, industry, science and technology. A high degree of facility in both English and French is necessary for such participation, it points out.

It calls for school boards of a manageable size, "large enough to be assured of complete pedagogical and administrative services, with an affinity to the language of instruction." 'Families of schools' should be created, it says, by taking into consideration the geographical character of areas divisions and transportation routes linking high schools and feeder elementary schools.

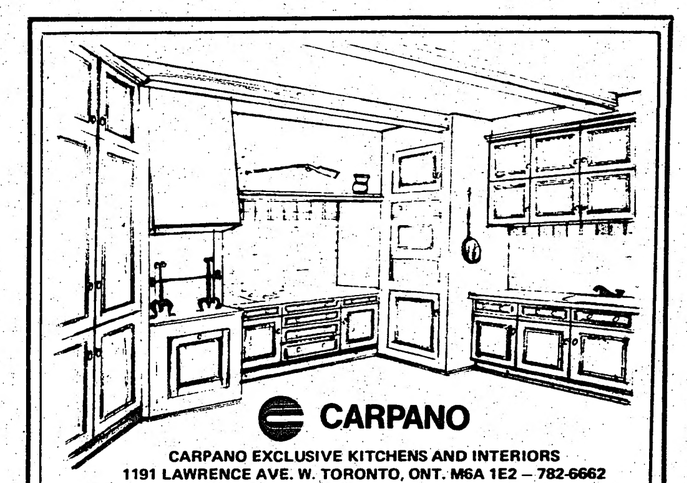
Certain "arbitrary decisions" taken by school boards are decried in the brief and a plan to avoid possible injustices is included for the council's consideration.

The plan recommends the formation of a superintending committee to hold hearings on local school board decisions found unacceptable by at least 10% of the school board electorate.

The proposed committee would consist of a representative of the Department of Education, one from the local school board, one school board teacher, one local parents' committee representative, an administrator and a representative from the petitioning group.

It would be chaired by the vice-president of the Island school council. a written decision would be rendered by the superintending committee within 15 days of the hearing.

The brief concludes:
"...we strongly urge that ways must be found to interpret the accepted democratic philosophy of education, which recognizes differences in individuals (and)...differences in communities."



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Ben Schneider (left), recently retired executive director of the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto, admires golf clubs presented to him at recent cocktail party. With him are Dr. Arnold Epstein (centre) and Jack Rose, UJWF president.

Welfare Fund honors its long-time director

TORONTO —
Benjamin Schneider has left an indelible mark on Toronto's Jewish community, Jack M. Rose, president of the United Jewish Welfare Fund, said last week.

Speaking at a reception at Beth Tzedec Synagogue honoring Schneider, Rose said that Schneider has melded a lay community which surpasses any in North America.

Only a forceful, candid person like Schneider could achieve what he did, Rose said. "Many were at first angry with him," he said, "but we all grew to love and respect him."

The reception was sponsored by the UJWF to honor Schneider on the occasion of his retirement as executive-director of the Welfare Fund. He will continue to serve, however, as executive vice-president and will have specific duties, one of which is the development of the Bequest and Endowment Fund.

Rose said Schneider volunteered to retire early as executive director so as to facilitate the appointment of a successor. (Irwin Gold took over as executive director on June 2).

Rose added that in his new role, Schneider "will undoubtedly continue to help build our community to even greater heights."

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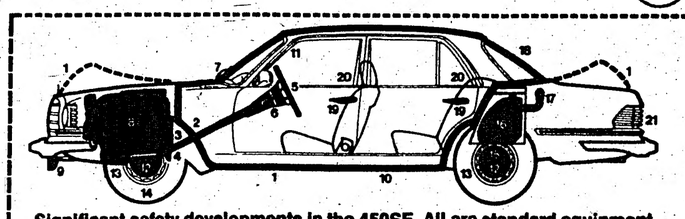

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Work of Social Planning Committee needs to be more widely publicized

A growing community requires steadily expanding community services and a continuing evaluation of the services being offered. The task of analyzing, determining and advocating community needs is delegated by the United Jewish Welfare Fund to its Social Planning Committee, a group of dedicated men and women representing all facets of community interests.

While it is a committee of the UJWF, Social Planning is not in business to do the bidding of the Welfare Fund, though it co-operates in all matters of mutual concern. Rather, it serves as the voice and social conscience of the community as a whole and frequently finds itself in the interesting position of having to press the Welfare Fund to take steps which Social Planning considers necessary.

The fact that the Social Planning Committee is not highly visible contributes to the general public's lack of knowledge of what it accomplishes. It seems the public relations aspect of its work has been overlooked. The SPC works mainly behind the scenes, being the prime mover in many areas, and more should be known about its activities. The only really accurate yardstick by which to measure the effectiveness of an organization is how it relates to the community it serves. On this count, SPC scores high marks.

Most new community programs originate with Social Planning or are developed only after it has thoroughly evaluated their merits. Programs for the aged, especially through Co-ordinated Services to Jewish Elderly; the Jewish Information Service; special experimental camp programs for retardates, exceptionals, singles and the elderly; organization of the Jewish Students Federation at York University, and the establishment by the UJWF of a major standing committee to consider social policy issues are all the result of the recommendations of the Social Planning Committee.

Development of a community program for the northeast sector of Toronto (Willowdale east to McCowan — north of 401), monitoring and evaluating services to Russian immigrants and a community-wide approach to a family life education are some of the matters currently receiving the attention of the committee.

This body deliberates with care and caution but with imagination and sincerity. It is a powerful force in our community which is not often heard about but which deserves the special gratitude of all who are concerned with the quality of life of Jewish residents of our city. SPC, under the chairmanship of Madeleine Epstein, has just concluded its current season of activities but already its members are contemplating the future and we shall no doubt continue to feel the impact of their considerable efforts.

A CLERICAL BANG

Rabbi Pachter, the chief rabbi of Metula, practices with U.S.-made rifle after he joined the town's civil defence force.

Dying Nicaragua community builds shul to replace one destroyed by earthquake

By SHERI BURNS

[One of a series]

Before the 1972 earthquake hit Central America's Nicaragua, there were about 100 Jewish families in Managua, the capital city. Now there are only 20. Where there was a synagogue-community centre, now there is only rubble.

Sheri Burns

Yet plans are still in the offing for the construction of a new synagogue on land donated by a man in Israel. The donation has one condition attached: "Build it as soon as possible!"

Only a few years ago evidence was discovered of Jewish immigration from Europe in the middle 1700's, the earliest Jewish presence in Central America. In Granada, a town not far from the capital, is a small Jewish cemetery with a fence around it. Fifteen graves are enclosed, including those of three Gentile wives.

These early settlers assimilated quickly. Their descendants are often proud of their Jewish ancestry.

Among Gentile Central Americans can be found Spanish-Jewish names such as Espinoza or Iglesia. Espinoza refers to the spines on Jesus' crown and Iglesia means church. These names were adopted by baptized Jews at the time of the Inquisition.

Until three years ago, Temple Bet El-El in Managua served as a meeting place of the community. Men would drop by after work for a chat or a card game, explained community president and former Israeli consul to Nicaragua, Saul Retelny. "Everyone lived within five minutes of the centre."

Destruction of homes forced them to disperse to all parts of the city. A temporary sanctuary has been devised behind one of the Retelny shops, so Friday evening services can be conducted as before. "We still get a minyan every Friday and well over a minyan for holidays," said businessman Fred Luft.

After the earthquake, most Jews left for other Latin American countries or the States. "Those few of us remaining are strongly Jewish," Luft affirmed.

Most Jewish Nicaraguans are shop owners, often with branch stores in different sections of the city.

Retelny related the reaction to the earthquake of other central American Jews: "We got a telegram from FEDECO, the Federation of Central American Jewish communities. But what good is a telegram when roads are blocked by fallen buildings and people are killing each other for food?" There were no Jewish casualties.

When questioned on the value of reconstructing a synagogue for a small community which is getting smaller, Luft replied: "A synagogue is necessary for survival in the Diaspora." Retelny stated: "We would build it even if only one Jew remained. When there are no more Jews here it can be donated to some good cause, but meanwhile we need it."

ask the rabbi

If skilled, one may perform shechita

1. If I slaughter my own chickens following the traditional precepts, is their kashruth acceptable?

The very first Mishna in tractate Chullin, which deals with the laws of shechita, states explicitly that shechita can be carried out by any Jew, provided, of course, that he is familiar with the act and conversant with the laws.

Nevertheless, it has long been the practice in Jewish communities to permit shechita only if performed by a qualified shocket who has kabbala, the authorization from a recognized rabbinic authority which testifies to his skill and knowledge.

This, however, naturally applies where others eat of the shechita. If a man is really convinced that he has the necessary skills and his act has been performed in the proper manner, it is perfectly permissible for him to perform shechita for himself.

Nonetheless, very few non-professionals have the necessary skills and you should not perform shechita unless you are absolutely sure that you are sufficiently skilled and knowledgeable to do it all properly.

2. What is the origin of the custom of carrying the sefer torah on the right shoulder and of mounting the bima at one side and leaving on the other?

Rabbi Moses Isserles in his notes to the Shulchan Aruch (Orach Chayyim 134:2) states in the name of Rabbi Jacob Moellin (the Maharil) that it is the custom to carry the sefer torah on the right shoulder. The verse quoted in this connection is: "And his right hand embraces me" (Song of Songs 2:6).

With regard to mounting the bima, the general principle is that one must express eagerness to enjoy the great privilege and reluctance to abandon it.

In the Temple, we are told, every turn taken during the order of service was to the right (Yoma 15b). Consequently, the Shulchan Aruch (Orach Chayyim 141:7) rules that one should mount the bima by the shortest route and leave the bima by the longest but if the two routes are equidistant, one should mount on the right and leave on the left.

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Less fear of extention

Security Council vote will decide future of UN disengagement force

In approximately three weeks, the UN Security Council will vote on whether the disengagement force separating the Israeli and Egyptian troops should remain where they are, or not. Not long ago, President Sadat tried to frighten the world by agreeing to extend the UN force's presence in the Sinai for three months only. The decision instantly caused fear that the Syrians too, would accept an extension of only two months. This would have left the community of nations facing a dilemma: Either to accept the Arab political demands, or else...

The Syrians, however, surprised everybody by agreeing to an extension of six months. Later, the Israeli government, to the surprise of many, decided to thin its forces in the Sinai. In this era of surprises, however, it will be a surprise indeed if Sadat refuses to extend the UN force's mandate east of Suez.

It is true that several months ago the atmosphere was such that there was a great deal of conjecture as to whether he would agree to extend the mandate, or whether he would order several divisions to cross the Suez Canal — and if he did the latter, would this be casus belli for Israel? Now there seems to be less fear of such a move. The Salzburg and Washington meetings are behind us, but we still await the official presentation of the reassessed American policy.

Reading between the lines, however, it can be assumed that a new diplomatic effort to maintain mobility, is the most plausible development. For some time now, we have said that the reconvention of the Geneva Conference is a remote prospect without some prior agreement on certain aspects of the conflict having been reached. The Americans would not attend a conference that was bound to fail.

Recent dispatches from Moscow indicate that the Soviets, too, are aware of the futility of a conference at this stage. They would like to see Kissinger — or Ford — do the dirty work of forcing Israel to withdraw, or alternatively, fail in their mission, thus enabling the Soviets to claim that they had Geneva in mind all along.

Trying to understand what really transpired between the American president and the two Middle East leaders is not easy. Some reports on the recent Washington and New York talks might have indicated an air of optimism, or at least an easing of tension in the complex relations between the greatest democracy in the West and the only one in the Middle East. This similarity between the two states gives them their strength and also draws attention to the important political fact that internal pressures are often essential in shaping foreign policies.

Meanwhile, to prove that politics does not only consist of parlour meetings, an Israeli family was murdered in Kfar Yuval on the northern frontier. This time there was an additional element to the tragic affair: the reliance of the murderous organization — the PLO — on the support of the United Nations. Seven months after Arafat marched through the assembly hall, and just two months before the UN Conference on Prevention of Crime and Terrorism is to convene in Toronto (with the PLO representatives present) Abdel Mohsen Abu Maizer, speaking on behalf of the PLO on radio Damascus, said: "We sponsored the operation (the attack on Kfar Yuval), because it is our right to fight for our rights and the whole world sponsors that and our operations along with us, because the UN General Assembly has approved the right of the Palestinians to pursue their struggle with all the means to regain their usurped rights."

One wonders if the scores of delegates who gave a standing ovation to Arafat on the 13th of November last year, were really blind and deaf to go along with the popular trend of supporting whatever smells of petrodollars.

Damascus was ample proof that terror will still be the roughest enemy that Israel and the Jewish people will have to combat in the future. We must be aware of this fact, regardless of any possible political settlement in the Middle East.

Canadian Zionist Federation Newsletter

Letters to the Editor

Panelist further explains kosher prices

Dear Editor:

As a member of the Consumer Panel on Kosher Food, I would like to emphasize, that although the price for a particular cut of meat may vary amongst the different butcher shops, the quality and the trim of that particular cut may also vary from one butcher store to the next. For example, a pound of chopped meat, with a low fat content, that costs $1.79 a pound at one store, may be better value than a pound of chopped meat that has a high fat content and sells for $1.39 a pound at another store. Thus, the Jewish housewife must consider several things when she does her kosher meat buying, namely: price, quality, trim and the particular service she desires.

I would like to comment, firstly, on the butcher stores not under Congress that sell Jewish-style meat (I shall refer to these as Jewish-style butcher stores), and secondly, to comment on the many Jewish housewives who buy their meat in these establishments.

When you buy at a butcher shop not under Congress you have no guarantee that the meat you are buying is kosher. That means, in all probability, the meat in these stores does not come from animals that have undergone kosher slaughter i.e. the animal has not been inspected by a mashgiach and the blood of the animal has not been removed and/or is saved. According to Jewish law, the blood which is the symbol of life, must be removed and not utilized in anyway — in this way we are taught to revere life.

It is interesting to note that although, in all probability, the Jewish style butcher shops are not paying for a mashgiach or for kosher slaughter or for loss of blood, the prices of many of their cuts of meat are the same or higher than the same cuts of meat in a kosher butcher outlet under Congress.

On the same day as the mini survey was conducted (May 8), I, as a private individual, conducted a survey at one of the Jewish-style butcher shops (not under Congress).

It is very interesting to note that the average price per pound of all the meats listed in the mini survey was slightly higher in the Jewish-style butcher shop ($1.55 per pound) than in Sunnybrook Kosher Meat Dept. $1.54 per pound). Some items in the Jewish style butcher store were substantially higher than in the kosher meat outlet under Congress.

Jewish-Style Butcher Store

Rib Steak	$2.29 per lb.
Shoulder Steak	$1.99 per lb.
Baby Beef Liver	$1.59 per lb.

Sunnybrook [under Congress]

$1.99 per lb.
$1.89 per lb.
$1.09 per lb.

One item that was substantially lower in the Jewish-style store was tongue; it sold at 79c per pound. It is interesting to note, in this regard, that due to the fact that the meat in these stores does, in all probability, not come from animals that have been killed kosher, tongue in these stores is not a limited item — they can get as many tongues as they want — thus by the law of supply and demand, they can sell their tongues at a low price.

With regard to chickens: In the Jewish-style butcher store there was nothing to indicate that the chicken has been killed kosher. (In a meat outlet under Congress a chicken bears a metal tag from Congress which certifies that it has been killed kosher.) Yet these chickens in the Jewish-style store were $1.09 a pound. Chickens are available at several places under Congress for $1.09 a pound. If these chickens in the Jewish-style butcher stores have not been killed kosher, why is the price so high?

The mini survey shows that when you buy at a kosher meat outlet under Congress, the meat costs more than the meat at A&P or Dominion or Loblaws, due to kosher slaughter, loss of blood, cost of mashgiach etc. The question is: Why should meat at a Jewish-style butcher store be higher than A&P and Dominion? (and prices are definitely higher.)

It is apparent that it is the Jewish-style butcher shops that are "ripping the people off." They are charging the same prices as many of the kosher meat outlets under Congress yet they do not have to absorb the costs of kosher slaughter, loss of blood, mashgiach etc.

This all narrows down to the point that if you are paying extra for kosher meat (and you are), make sure you are really getting kosher meat. This can be done by buying at one of the 17 stores under Congress. If more people bought at these stores under Congress, their volume of business would increase and possibly the prices in these stores could be lowered.

This brings me to the second part of my letter — the people who buy at the Jewish style butcher shops.

In discussions with people about whether to buy at a store under Congress or at a Jewish-style butcher shop, many people say, "It doesn't matter! or "Who cares!" People should care! It is shown that Jewish-style butcher stores (not under Congress) are "ripping the people off" or are taking advantage of people, then people should care enough not to support these stores.

It is a lack of caring that leads to many undesirable things in our society — it is a lack of caring that leads to assimilation — it is a lack of caring that leads to intermarriage — it is a lack of caring that leads to losses in Jewish people.

Let's start caring — keeping kosher is one way that keeps us separate from other people — it is one small way to help prevent assimilation — let's start caring!

Mrs. Rhoda Kirshin,
Toronto.

Dear Editor:

Your columnist J.B. Salsberg has at times delighted and at other times irritated various individuals and organizations with his thoughts and observations.

However this June 20th his column surely reached its lowest point ever with its pathetically outdated and grossly biased socialist flagwaving.

I would like to refer just briefly to three things concerning "the erosion of social, moral, and ethical values" in Israel.

Contrary to Salsberg many would see Yitzchak Ben-Aharon as one of the contributors to, and examples of, a lot that is wrong in Israel today.

More positively though, what Salsberg so obviously and therefore perhaps deliberately ignored, are the two most significant resources of moral social and ethical strength that might, if allowed to grow and rebuild Israel.

Firstly, the yeshivas and religious high schools and colleges for girls and boys, particularly those with modern Western influences that have mushroomed in the past 5-10 years. These are producing upright young people with strong social consciences as well as a deep religious belief in the land of Israel and the meaning of Jewish life.

The second of moral and ethical strength is surely in the immigration of western professionals, particularly from America, Canada, England, South Africa, etc. professionals who have grown up in relatively free capitalist societies where they have been used to systems of paying taxes, honesty in business dealings, fixed prices with known profit margins rather than bargaining and haggling, where bribery and corruption though existing are much less prevalent.

The growth of communities of Western professionals such as in Jerusalem is one of the areas of hope, that others in Israel will see and learn by example the Jewish values that for many were lost in countries of persecution and discrimination.

Dr. Joseph Berger,
Willowdale.

Israel has issued this coin to commemorate the 25th anniversary of Israel Bonds.

The saga of donated military trucks that never became part of war effort

The perils of the cumbersome Israeli bureaucracy are already well known and voluminously documented. Here is the latest installment of the longest playing farce in the state of Israel.

After the Yom Kippur War, a few well-intentioned American Jews raised enough money to purchase a number of military trucks for Israel. They had heard about the shortage of vehicles that had plagued Israel's war effort. Since these trucks were being sent directly to the government, they assumed an import licence — a bureaucratic stringency — was not really necessary.

How wrong they were. The trucks were never claimed by the authorities. No one had an import licence, of course. So the bureaucrats won the day. Many months later, the Jews made some inquiries about their trucks. Everyone shrugged their shoulders. Finally, they were found, in a shed. The engines had by then deteriorated, and the vehicles were no longer serviceable.

The trucks — the fulfillment of the Americans' dream — will probably have to be sold for junk or cannibalized for spare parts.

Pity the Jews rather than the trucks.

In addition to study of Torah from books, one needs authority to consult, says rabbi

sparks from the torah

By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Matot-Masai/ Rosh Chodesh Av. Ish kee yidor neder la'Hashem... When a man voweth a vow unto the L—rd, he shall not break his word...

When do you know you have a real friend? When someone cares about you enough to tell you when you've made a bad mistake...

Once when he was a teenager, the brilliant "Sfat Emet" stayed up almost all night with a friend discussing a difficult passage in the Talmud. He was so tired, he slept-in an extra hour the next morning. When he finally got up, his grandfather gave him a long, sharp lecture about laziness. "Why didn't you tell your grandfather you were up studying the whole night," the friend asked him. The young saint smiled — "I'm sure if I told him, he would have stopped. But then I would have missed the chance to hear his wonderful mussar teachings..."

There's nothing like having a good Rebbe to keep you on your toes. When the Jews were about to cross the Jordan to enter the Holy Land, the leaders of the tribes of Reuven and Gad started pestering Moses for permission to settle on the Eastern side (where Jordan is today). Moses gave them a real dressing down for being such cowards and not wanting to fight across the river with the others.

When he was done, the leaders told him — "Moses, what are you getting so excited about? All we're going to leave behind are our wives and children, but we're willing to fight alongside everyone else..." Moses wondered — why they didn't they tell me that right away? But they figured — "if we can hear an extra **drosha** from our holy teacher — even if it's fire and brimstone — why should we interrupt..."(Mai'Otzar Hachassidus)

It's not enough to study Torah out of books. Every Jew should have a hero — a living Sefer Torah who sets an example by his own piety. Even more — every major decision and problem should be brought before him to get a Torah opinion. Consider...if a Jew makes a vow to G—d, the only way it can be lifted is if he goes to a pious scholar, who may grant him a release — under certain conditions...

But it's strange...here a person made a pact with G—d — what right should another human being have to mix in? But it teaches an important thing...no action a Jew takes is final until he checks with his "partner" — **TalmidChacham** — to see whether he should have done it. So if a real scholar sees that a Jew didn't use too much **saychel** in making his vow in the first place, he can undo the trouble that was made...(Klee Yakar)

The greatest **saychel,** though, is when a Jew stays happy and confident even when things get tough. You cannot serve the Ribono shel Olam unless you have a smile in your heart. In ancient Israel, if a Jew killed someone accidentally, he was rushed off to live in exile in one of the Levite cities. But why should the Levites get stuck with having all the killers in their **shtelbel?** But the Almighty said — "when a person kills someone else, part of him dies also. The only way to bring that poor Jew completely alive again is with joy — and what better neighbors for him than the Levites who spend their time singing and playing instruments...(Shaym Mee'Shmuel)

If a person handles himself right, he can find the Ribono shel Olam everywhere. Once a rabbi in a little shtetle stopped in the marketplace to talk to a woman. The baalei batim were scandalized, and they summoned him to a meeting... "Oy Yidlech, Yidlech — if you only understood," he told them. "You can talk to a woman, and think about G—d...and you can talk to G—d and think about a woman. Don't be so quick to find fault..."

Shabbat Shalom.

Please note our Sparks from the Torah TV schedule: *Metro Cable, Mondays at 7:30, Wednesdays at 5; York Cable, Tuesdays at 8; Willow Downs Cable, Tuesdays at 8:30; Keeble Cable, Thursdays at 8.*

Rivka Glazer, 76, opens exhibition of her son's art in Jerusalem. Elia Glazer has been a Prisoner of Conscience in the Soviet Union since 1972. Paintings were smuggled out of the USSR by his mother who arrived in Israel in 1974. (Israel Sun photo)

British High Commissioner to Palestine

Sir Samuel was praised and condemned for difficult political career in Palestine

Landmark Events In Our History

By ROCHELLE CARR

TORONTO —

The air was tense in Palestine on June 30, 1920. The first of the seven High Commissioners to the British Mandate arrived to take up his duties. In addition to the fact that the country was still suffering from the Easter riots, the highest British representative in the Holy Land, Sir Herbert Louis Samuel, was a Jew.

For the affluent Samuel, the trials and tribulations that would beset him during his five-year tenure in Palestine stemmed from the choice he made as a young man to forsake his family's banking business and enter politics.

In politics he did well. During his 92 years, he held numerous positions including under-secretary at the Home Office at the age of 35, and home secretary during the First World War. He continued to serve his government after his stay in Palestine and, for his services, was given a seat in the House of Lords in 1937 as Viscount Samuel of Mount Carmel and of Toxteth.

But Jewish history would remember him most as High Commissioner to Palestine. In Palestine, there would be some bright moments for the staid, Victorian-minded Samuel. One of his children, Edwin (he had three sons and one daughter), would marry a Jewess from Tel Aviv. Winston Churchill, one of the many illustrious visitors to the Holy Land at that time, would come to Jerusalem to plant a tree on Mount Scopus where later would stand the Hebrew University.

But Samuel's stay in Palestine mainly centred around the situation where, to a large degree, Arabs did not trust him because he was Jewish. Jews did not like him because they felt he was bending over backwards to appease Arabs in an attempt to prove his impartiality and both groups did not care for him because he represented the government that controlled Palestine.

As a result, Samuel would become the recipient of historians' effusive praise or apologetic analysis or blatant condemnation. While some would remember what Samuel did to help pave the way for the Balfour Declaration, most would vilify him for his role in appointing Haj Amin el Husseini the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, for his presumed role in the "Churchill White Balfour Declaration, and for making certain land unavailable to Jewish settlement. land unavailable to Jewish settlement.

Looking back, perhaps Samuel's tenure could be viewed as a forewarning of difficulties that would plague the Mandate at an accelerating pace — difficulties based on the fact that the national aspirations of the Jews and Arabs could not be solved by a third power making attempts at refereeing.

Letters to the Editor

'Community should take offensive' in Mideast PR

Dear Editor:

The article of June 20 entitled, "Two MPs say Israel is racist" is upsetting, but should not cause terrible alarm.

Obviously, in any free country, Israel is going to have to take some unreasonable criticism, and this criticism is bound to be reflected in Parliament.

Israel is a desperate country led by politicians and clerics, and it is inevitably bound to possess some imperfections. But the remarks of Liberal MP Ralph Stewart are particularly inexcusable. Among other things, **The CJN** quotes Stewart as saying that Jewish Liberal MPs Herb Gray and Robert Kaplan "are not listened to" on issues regarding the Middle East, "for they are expected to have a biased effect by virtue of the fact that they are Jews."

I suppose then, that Stewart makes a point of ignoring women MPs when they speak on sexual equality, or Metis MP Wally Firth when he speaks on the issue of natives' rights.

The article to which I am referring is added evidence for the contention that opposition to Israel is gaining in its seemingly intellectual character. The emphasis is no longer on the Islamic nature of the Arab cause, but rather on the pseudo-intellectual nature of the cause.

The Jewish country must fall in line, or face growing opposition. These are the 1970's. Jewish attitudes continue to often have a highly emotional, antiquated, communal emphasis, together with the self-defeating assumption that in the end, everyone is against the Jews anyway.

The emotional impact of the Holocaust continues to diminish. Increasingly, references to the Holocaust lose their validity for emotional impact, and become valid merely as relevant historical references.

It is time for the Jewish community to take the offensive. Rather than participating in communal bickering with non-Jews, Canadian Judaism should take a different line of argumentation — a new progressive, moral, contemporary, and humanistic offensive. And as a supporter of Israel's existence, I can assure your readers that such an offensive would not run contrary to Israel's interests. If it did, then Israel would not be worth fighting for in the first place.

Richard Charney,
Hamilton.

Dear Editor:

Your report on the recently held Canadian Arab Federation convention in Toronto (**CJN,** June 20) is an eye-opener. For starters, it has shown how a few speakers can manipulate a topic so central to the politics of the day by abusing reason.

Thus, when a few MP's Rev. A.C. Forrest, Abie Weisfeld, et al put forth arguments which bode no good for Israel to a 'selected group' there is unanimous audience approval. And weren't the ideas spoken rehashed from years gone by? Repetitions such as "real Jews are the Palestinians...expect good things from Arafat" are akin to what Stalinists and New Leftists have chanted throughout the 1960's to an ever shrinking free world. Apparently such ideological success has had far greater influence on men's minds than reason has had.

Israel alone has had the guts to fight battles, win wars, and announce to the world she shall not be trampled. Moreover, her strengths have proved crucial to survival in an unfriendly Third-World dominated United Nations.

A vote for Israel's enemies is not merely a vote against social justice, it is a vote for totalitarian control over a free people as well.

Jerry Lerman,
Toronto.

Dear Editor:

Ben Nobleman should be complimented for his guest editorial in your June 20 edition on more work for Canadian talent. It is true that the Jewish community has lagged behind in giving opportunities to Canadians in various fields — such as entertainment, social work and public relations.

Could the real reason be because the directors of the fund-raising or communal agencies are mostly Americans? The solution is to hire Canadians to fill the top jobs at these agencies. One start has been made recently at the United Jewish Welfare Fund in Toronto.

However, not only Israel Bonds is at fault. The UJA, Hadassah, Histadrut, B'nai B'rith are also to be criticized for bringing high-priced American speakers and entertainments for their affairs. Beth Sholom Synagogue paid an American senator $2,500 for a half-hour speech last year.

Ben Nobleman is 100% right. It is high time this down-grading of Canadian talent should stop. Let the leaders of our communal agencies make this a number one priority on their agendas.

S. Newton,
Toronto.

Dear Editor:

With regard to the letter to the editor which appeared in your June 27 issue, I wish to state that I am not the same David Bensimon who wrote it.

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President Magen David Congregation,
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Toronto.

Editor's Note:
The other David Bensimon lives on Ridelle Avenue.

Ottawa's PLO position seems to be spreading

By J.B. SALSBERG

Ottawa's sensitivity towards Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organization has become a fixed and chronic condition of our government. That's bad enough. But what is even worse is the fact that the virus of this shameful condition seems to spread in our capital. Some leaders of the Canadian Labor Congress also seem to have been laid low by it.

Last October, when the Canadian delegation at the UN degraded the reputation of this country by abstaining on the vote to invite Arafat to address the Assembly of the UN, I wrote that "Ottawa speaks with forked tongue and votes with a withered hand." Some people complained then that I was too harsh in my criticism. Events since then, I'm sorry to say, have fully justified my "harsh" judgment.

Only a political innocent could have suggested then that Canada's abstention was an isolated lapse in judgment, "especially since the Canadian spokesman had voiced opposition to the proposal." Only the politically naive could have failed to recognize the jarring signal of a change in the government's Middle East policy when it "spoke" against the motion to invite the PLO, but sat on its hands when the vote was taken.

Since then, Canada's predilection for abstention, whenever the PLO is considered, has become the fixed pattern of behavior for our country's representatives. It is an unending and shameful performance. The latest of such ignominious behaviour — and the worst because the Canadian trade union delegation followed the government's lead — took place at the annual assembly of the International Labor Organization (an agency of the UN) in Geneva, a week ago.

The national delegations to the ILO meetings consist of representatives of government, management and labor. On the vote to give the PLO official observer status the Canadian government and labor delegates abstained while those that represented management voted against giving the PLO such a status.

I must repeat that I do not believe that Canada's present prime minister or the previous and present ministers of external affairs are anti-Jewish, or anti-Israel or, for that matter, principally pro-Arab. Nor do I wish to suggest that those gentlemen question Israel's right to exist. They have repeatedly stated their adherence to Canada's traditional policy of acknowledging Israel's fundamental right to sovereign existence.

But in my opinion, the present government policy of abstention is an unprincipled, opportunist one that is dictated by the lure of Arab gold and by the glittering attraction of trade and profits with the newly rich Arab states.

Can such a policy be rationalized and excused? Let others try to find such rationalizations. For me this policy is wrong, immoral, inexcusable and harmful to Israel at this critical stage of its existence. I can't but condemn it, despite the good and praiseworthy efforts that such Liberal MPs as John Roberts, Herb Gray and Robert Kaplan are making to reverse the government's insupportable policy.

As for Joseph Morris (a non-Jew), president of the Canadian Labor Congress, he is, as I am assured by all who know him, a friend of Israel and a dependable supporter of Histadrut (the Israel trade union). So what happened to him at Geneva? Why did he abstain at the ILO meeting when the vote on the PLO was called? Did Ottawa, through its government representatives, twist his arm? Than why didn't the government delegates succeed in twisting the arm of the management section of Canada's delegation?

Could one argue that the Canadian labor delegates were under the thumb of the United States labor delegation to the same conference? Sad to say, that could not have been the case, since — and this I'm glad to say — the entire U.S. delegation, labor included, voted against the pro-PLO resolution.

The picture of the ILO meeting becomes even more depressing when one discovers that after the instant majority at such UN gatherings (Arab-Africa-Communist blocs) had carried their resolution, to recognize the PLO, there was a very impressive protest walk-out from the conference hall. When the Israel delegation left in protest they were joined by the entire delegations of the U.S. and the Netherlands and by the labor delegations of such countries as Norway, Finland, West Germany and Australia. But the Canadian Labor delegation was not among them...

This, I submit, is a serious situation and the responsibility for it rests in more places than may appear at first sight. It may be worthwhile to look into this area of our responsibility. We may try to, at least, put it on our agenda for examination.

(What will Ottawa decide on the admission of PLO observers to the UN conference on criminology, which will take place in Toronto this fall? I'm leaving my forecast with the editor and will reproduce it in this space after the official announcement. A bet anyone?)

Misconception that PLO represents Palestinians exposed

Myths and Facts

This is the first of a series of articles dealing with documented facts concerning the Middle East as opposed to Arab propaganda claims.

THE MYTH:

The Palestine Liberation Organization represents the Palestinians.

THE FACTS:

The Palestine Liberation Organization and its member terrorist organizations do not represent the Palestinians and never did. PLO is a self-appointed organization, created originally by Arab rulers in 1964 at a Cairo Summit Conference. It prepared, in 1964, and still adheres to "the Palestinian National Covenant" which set forth its fundamental philosophy. The Covenant was modified in 1968. Most of the terror organizations who belong to the PLO are sponsored and financed by one or more of Algeria, Iraq, Egypt, Syria, Libya or Saudi Arabia, and some were even created by the sponsoring country. The majority of Palestinians are politically inarticulate and uncommitted. In no way can the PLO or its terrorist members be called representative of Palestinians. The fact that the PLO has been "recognized" as such by the countries who are at war with Israel and the fact that they have been granted observer status by a United Nations controlled by those companies and the Eastern and African blocs who, at best, have no diplomatic relations with Israel, does not legitimate the PLO or make it representative.

THE MYTH:

The PLO wants peace and wants to negotiate.

THE FACTS:

The PLO may recently have added to its roster various groupings which would seem to indicate a peaceful intent. Or at least, a recent correspondent in **The Globe and Mail** so asserted.

However, no matter how the PLO may clothe its role for public consumption, its basic tenets and those of its affiliated organizations are expressed in the Palestinian National Covenant of 1968. It is to be noted that any suggestions of changing the Covenant have consistently been rejected since that date.

The "principles" on which the PLO and its members operate are:

1. Negotiation or peaceful means are rejected. Only "armed struggle" is PLO's "abiding determination" (Articles 9 and 21).

2. The "Zionist Invasion" is to be "repelled" and Palestine is to be "purified" or "purged" from the "Zionist presence" (Article 15). Does this mean anything other than genocide or expulsion?

Yasser Arafat, the chairman of PLO and the leader of El-Fatah, — the largest terror group of PLO — stated in the **New Republic** of May 16, 1970, "Peace for us means Israel's destruction and nothing else," and a year earlier, he had stated that the objective of his war was to do away with the social economy and political fortress of Israel in a long and protracted war which must, of necessity, end in success.

While there are a multitude of small terror organizations, the main ones operate under the aegis of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The largest group is **El-Fatah,** led by Arafat. Its military organization is called **El-Assifa.** Beneath it are a host of secret activities and contacts with militant underground political movements throughout the world. These include the F.L.Q. in Canada, the Black Panthers in the U.S., the Japanese Red Army, the Ururguayan Tupamaros, the West German Anarchistic Bader-Meinhoff Group on the left and the Neo-Nazi NPD on the right, the Irish Republican Army, Neo-Fascist elements in Italy, the National Front for the Liberation of Eritrea and, of course, important contacts with North Vietnam, North Korea and China. El-Fatah was responsible for 7 Israeli dead in the attack on Nahariyia and claims responsibility for the Savoy Hotel attack in Tel Aviv, which left 13 dead and 30 injured.

Also operating beneath El-Fatah was the **Black September Group** which was organized with Libyan assistance and which set new standards in ruthless terror operations, not only within Israel but primarily abroad. As soon as the links between Black September and El-Fatah became known, it appears to have disappeared. It murdered the 11 Israeli athletes at the Munich Olympics Games and killed the U.S. ambassador and charge d'affaires in Khartoum in 1973.

The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) is Marxist-Leninist, led by George Habash. The PFLP "specializes" in terror against civilians. It does nothing else. It was responsible primarily for the hijacking of planes and attacks on planes and Israeli offices around the world, bombing of markets, cinemas and bus stations. Although "leftist", it maintains links with Nazi groups in Europe, and some of its instructors are former SS men.

The Popular Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PDFLP) is a left-wing splinter group of the PFLP, led by Naif Hawatmeh. It is responsible for the massacre of 24 children at Ma'alot in 1974.

The PFLP General Command. This is another splinter group of the PFLP led by a former Syrian Captain **Ahmed Jabril.** It is responsible for blowing up a Swissair plane and the school children killings on the bus from Avivim and attacking Kiryat Shemona.

As'Saiqua. This is a Syrian creation controlled by that country and is important as a means of infiltration into Lebanon.

Arab Liberation Front. This organization was created by Iraq and is under that country's control. It claims a Pan-Arab state and denies the existence of a Palestinian nation. It was responsible for attacking an El-Al plane at Munich airport, and Kfar Yuval in June, 1975.

Front for the Palestinian Popular Struggle. This group also aims at a Pan-Arab state.

Organization or Arab Palestine.

Central Committee for the Liberation of Palestine. This is another grouping which does not even claim that there should be a democratic secular state.

Oranization of the Holy Jihad. This is controlled by Saudi Arabia.

Organizations and People

what's new...

By MIRIAM HERMAN

BURIED TREASURE

There's gold all around us, according to Toronto Women's ORT. And that's the basis of their new fund-raising project in support of Israeli ORT students. The idea is a treasure hunt for all kinds of odds and ends — such as eye-glass frames, odd earings, silver cutlery, a link from a bracelet, old watches, or any gold-filled items. The gold and other precious metals can be recycled by melting down. If you come up with anything, drop the articles off at the ORT office, or call 630-1946 for a pick-up.

FOR SICK KIDS

Last week a group of teenagers presented a cheque to Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children. The seven 13-year-olds-Sheldon Title, Sheldon Pollack, David Cassen, Philip Leon, Lorne Cooper, Stephen Sager and Howard Hanick — raised the money to mark the hospital's 100th anniversary. They organized a street hockey marathon which ran from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. one day last month. In all, the youngsters collected $144 in donations.

SPORTS NEWS

Israel finished fifth out of 16 countries in the Asian Amateur Athletics Championships in Korea recently, ending up with two gold, one silver and three bronze medals. The two gold medals went to sprinter Esther Shahamorov-Roth who will be competing in the Montreal Olympics... Another interesting note — when Israeli basketballers played against the world championship Russian team (the Israelis lost by 14 points), in the European Championships in Karlovac, Yugoslavia, last month, they got a huge boost from the Yugoslav crowd which supported the Israeli players against the more experienced Russians.

USDS JUNIOR HIGH PROGRAMS

United Synagogue Day School junior high students participated in several educational excursions and trips this past spring term. Both grade 7 classes visited Claremont Conservation Centre for a week of outdoor activities combined with such Jewish projects as kashering the kitchen facilities there. The grade 8's went to New York City where sightseeing included a tour of the Lower East Side and a look at the early Jewish beginnings in New York. And the grade 9 students were hosts to grade 9 classes from the Joseph Wolinsky School of Winnipeg, who were returning the visit the Toronto teenagers had made to Winnipeg earlier in the year.

WESTERN HOSPITALITY

Russian Jewish immigrants settling in Vancouver certainly will not have any health care worries when they first arrive. The local Jewish dentists who are members of the Alpha Omega dental fraternity, have offered to get the newcomers' teeth into shape, according to Canadian standards. And Russian-speaking Jewish doctors will be available during the three months residence it takes to become eligible for British Columbia medical insurance.

MAYBE YOU'RE A WINNER

Tickets on a lottery, run by the Association for Welfare of Soldiers in Israel, were purchased by Torontonians. Top prizes included apartments in Israel, cars, and even washing machines. Well, the draw was held in Israel early in June. Ticket holders can call the local association office for the prize-winning numbers. The telephone is 783-3053.

STUDY SERIES FOR SINGLES

Every Wednesday at 8 p.m. at Beth Sholom Synagogue, Rabbi Meir Gottesman conducts **The Well** study series on the ethics and teachings of Judaism. The series is for singles 21-35. If you are interested, call the synagogue office.

PART-TIME STUDIES

Now in its second year, the University of Toronto's Woodsworth College has come up with an off-campus program to encourage full-time office workers and new Canadians to complete their higher education. College principal Arthur Kruger, the man behind the program, says: "We have decided to go where the students are, instead of forcing them to come to us." So, beginning in September, courses will be offered in three off-campus locations: downtown, the Macdonald Block at Queen's Park, and the Eglinton-Keele area. Classes in pre-university, diploma, certificate and degree courses will be conducted at lunch hour and after work. For information, contact the college on St. George Street or call 928-2405.

ONE DAY POSTPONEMENT

The first annual directors' dinner of the Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University, scheduled for July 8, will be held July 9 at Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue. The one-day postponement was due to the inability of the guest speaker, Prof. Frank Loewenberg, of Bar-Ilan, to be present on the original date.

JEWISH SCHOOL IN S.A.

South America has six new Jewish schools. They have been established in small communities in Argentina and Uruguay, as part of the World Zionist Organization's program to expand Jewish education. Haim Finkelstein, head of WZO education department, reported that the number of Jewish students registered in Argentina has increased by 500, making a total of 20,000 students attending Jewish educational institutions there.

MAGIC AND SUPERSTITION

Anyone planning a trip to New York this summer can drop in to the Jewish Museum on Fifth Avenue to view an exhibition of **Magic and Superstition in the Jewish Tradition.** The exhibit includes over 200 items — amulets, drawings, jewelry, incantation bowls and scrolls — all believed to have curative and protective powers against the evil (and unknown) spirits. The display runs to Sept. 14.

Great age has not dimmed Sarah Salsberg's lifetime devotion to helping all those in need

By MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO —

Sarah Gitl Salsberg, in her 90s, a woman who has raised seven children including the irrepressible J.B., presided recently in her Bathurst Street apartment, at the annual closing meeting of the Halboshath Arumim Society.

Halboshath Arumim, which means literally, "To clothe the naked," goes back 58 years to a day when Sarah Gitl said to her husband Avrumele, "I just don't like this country; people think only of themselves, and nobody helps anyone else!"

A quiet man, he took her with him to the D'Arcy Street Eitz Chaim Talmud Torah and pointing to some of the children who were shabbily dressed asked, "Well, why don't you do something about this?"

She did.

Together with a nucleus of about 20 women, she organized a society to collect clothing for the pupils. The founding president was a Mrs. Wilner, and Avrumele Salsberg gave the first $5. A collector sent into the community asked 10c a week for the Talmud Torah, and 25% a month for the society. Membership dues were $3 a year. Sarah Gitl became president within a short time, and she has remained in office ever since.

Twice each year, always before Passover and after Succoth, teachers provided a list of youngsters from poor families, and ladies of Halboshath Arumim made certain that they had all the necessities.

This very basic kind of charity continued until the Second World War when it was no longer required. Now the funds raised are given directly to Eitz Chaim for use in the schools which have moved north to Viewmount and Patricia Avenues. Donations are also sent to Pioneer Women, Youth Aliyah, and Baycrest. In the past, institutions, such as Mt. Sinai Hospital have also been assisted.

Betty Troster, a daughter of Mrs. Salsberg, recalls the days when clothing the children was such a necessity. "Each summer, my father would rent a 'cottage in the country' — a vacant house out in Long Branch or somewhere along the Humber River, and he would move the whole family complete with furniture, two sets of dishes, and always, at my mother's insistence, a huge carton of socks to be mended. We girls had our quota, and were expected to darn several pair each day. In our family, we were taught to live by the pushkah creed, to give to others."

Women of the Halboshath Arumim decide upon the distribution of funds at their annual closing meeting in Toronto. From left, they are Mrs. David Ochs, Sarah Gitl Salsberg and Mrs. Minnie Winter. (Groskind)

Halboshath Arumim, at its peak, had 300 members, and there were banquets and bazaars which raised thousands of dollars; the numbers have dwindled to less than a 100, and now, the 'last of the Mohicans,' a dozen ladies, the majority in their 70s and 80s, were gathered for the season's closing meeting. As usual, they gave personal donations — to celebrate a grandson's wedding, to welcome a new great-grandchild. "We live," said Mrs. Salsberg, "through our children and grandchildren."

And other gifts came in. There was a letter and a cheque sent annually by a prominent accountant who doesn't forget that the society clothed him when he was young. A former Toronto rabbi, now living in Jerusalem, remembers that the president once gave him a pair of desperately needed pants.

Sarah Gitl, flanked by the Rebbitzen Ochs and Mrs. Winter, rose staunchly to her feet, and in a surprisingly strong voice, thanked the members, grouped about her living room, for their support. Speaking in Yiddish, she noted with a twinkle, "We have been together many, many years, and especially when you are a little older, such help is wonderful. Let us live for our children's children, and for simchas, and next year, we'll be back to raise more money for the Talmud Torah!"

Then, leaning on her cane, she walked purposefully toward the head of her tea table.

Notice

Marcia Kretzmer is on vacation and her cooking column will resume next week.

...about people

The seventh annual award prizes of the J. I. Segal Fund for Jewish Culture were presented in Montreal recently to (from left to right), Jan A. Menses in art, Dov Sheinson in education, Adele Wiseman in English literature on a Jewish theme, and Yehuda Elberg in Yiddish-Hebrew literature. (Kay)

Torontonian **Morris Wittenberg** has just had a book published in Israel. Recently returned from a three-month visit there with his wife Nellie, he tells us that Yeda Publishing House in Jerusalem has printed the first part of his **Modern Hebrew-English Comprehensive Dictionary**, which, Mr. Wittenberg adds, will be shortly available on the Canadian market.

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After 30 years as president of the College Memorial Association, **Sam Cohen** has been elected to serve for another two-year term. Calling himself a "dollar-a-year-man," he has been a member for more than 37 years and a few years ago was honored when the association made a substantial donation in his name to a recreation centre in Ashdot Yaacov kibbutz in Israel. Other officers elected to the charitable organization are vice-presidents **David Green** and **Albert Mond**, and treasurer **Samuel Yachtman**.

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Congratulations to The CJN freelance writer **Louise Cornblum** and husband Murray whose daughter Mollie Susan, married Lawrence Henry Kalmanson in a gala Beth Tzedec wedding last week. Lawrence is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kalmanson.

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Fourteen Associated Hebrew School students have been awarded scholarships by the school to go on to Judaic studies in universities and other institutions of higher learning in Israel, Canada and the U.S. They are: **Larry Berk, Simcha Edell, Thalya Fenyves, Arthur Herzig, Brian Hochman, Sandy Honigsberg, David Javasky, Tova Kelman, Jeff Moskowitz, David Rothbaum, Esther Shenker, Sara Sefton, Nancy Sher** and **Esther Warzecha.**

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One of the largest-attended funeral services in recent years was that for **Sam Hoffman**, 60, whose unexpected death occurred recently. Well known in Toronto business circles, he was an outstanding handball player and was Canadian champion for many years.

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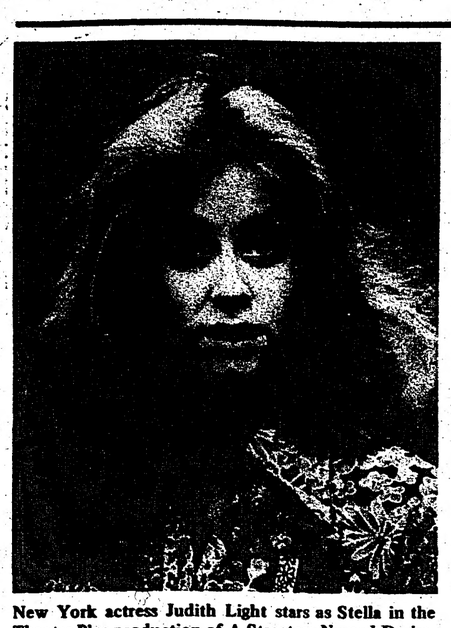

New York actress Judith Light stars as Stella in the Theatre Plus production of A Streetcar Named Desire.

Actress thoroughly enjoys nomadic life but cautions about entering profession

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
CJN Associate Editor

TORONTO —
A good actress must know herself, says Judith Light, a five-foot-seven brown-eyed blonde from New York who is playing Stella in Theatre Plus' production of **A Streetcar Named Desire.**

"There are things in yourself you have to know about, to draw on for different characters," she told **The Canadian Jewish News** in a brief interview prior to a dress rehearsal.

The actress, in her mid-to-late twenties, comes here after playing in the limited-run Broadway production of **A Doll's House** with Liv Ullman earlier this year. Her role was Helene, the nursemaid.

Asked what kind of an experience that was, she answered with an emphatic "wow"!

"She (Ullman) is a great, great lady. She's shy, but very open once she gets to know you."

Born in New Jersey, Judy, from the time she was eight wanted to be an actress. "At the private school I attended as a child, I wanted to play Mary in the Christmas play. Because I was Jewish, I ended up running the lights."

Sunglasses perched on top of her thick hair, the vivacious actress gestured with her hands to express her points. In her short career, she has primarily appeared on the stage — in a number of repertory companies across the U.S.

She has performed everything from Isabella in **Measure to Measure,** to Adelaide in **Guys and Dolls** in a USO show tour in Europe.

She auditioned for the role of Stella (played in the movie by Kim Hunter) in New York for director Kurt Reis. "I always wanted to do it although it's an emotionally very strenuous role."

In Toronto for three weeks of rehearsal prior to the opening, she praised her fellow cast members, saying it was a challenge working with these people. She had little chance to see much of the city, but caught enough to remark how clean Toronto is.

Judging from her resume, Judy has always found work, but she warns aspiring actresses not to get into the profession unless they're really talented and unless they really want to work hard.

Using New York as a base, she has enjoyed playing in other cities, "although my mother cries 'Please find somebody'," Judy says with a laugh. But for now, she gives every indication she's thoroughly enjoying her nomadic existence.

Education board appointment

TORONTO —
Harold Malitzky of Bayside, New York, will assume the position of director of special services at the Board of Jewish Education, it was announced this week by Harry Steiner, chairman of the Board.

Malitzky comes to the Board after serving as principal of the Pelham Parkway Hebrew Day School in the Bronx, New York, where he directed Hebrew and general studies.

Malitzky's duties in Toronto will include the co-ordination of inter-school events, personnel placement, liaison with schools, and consultation with laymen and professionals of Board-affiliated schools.

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Katzir praises Canadian group

JERUSALEM —
In a recent address to the Toronto Histadrut Delegation in Israel, President Ephraim Katzir called on world Jewry to understand and assist in alleviating his state's economic, social and security difficulties.

"I have always felt that we need not only financial support from Jews abroad," said Katzir, "but that we need their brains, their skills and more than anything — we need them to give their hearts. And the fact that in Canada we have such a wonderful Jewish community is really a great pleasure and great help and encouragement to all of us here."

A member of Histadrut since 1928, Katzir praised the group's activities calling it "one of the most important pillars upon which (Israel) stands. Its activities in agriculture — kibbutzim, moshavim, kvutzot — its activities in industry have led to remarkable results."

He outlined Histadrut's achievements in the health fields and commended its vocational education programs as meeting Israel's need for skilled professionals to bolster its economy.

Histadrut has also been responsible for absorbing immigrants from neglected communities in the Far and Near East, Northern Africa, Yemen and India as well as aliyah from Russia. Lauding these activities, Katzir said "the fact that Histadrut members try to educate, try to wipe out illiteracy and succeed to such an extent in doing so is really a remarkable achievement."

The Toronto delegation visited Israel to dedicate several trade school and medical facilities. Katzir, praising the Canadian effort, expressed his appreciation "for your identification with our programs — which are your programs, which are programs of the Jewish people all over the world — and that you have, with good sense, undertaken practical types of activities which are most important for us.

"I hope that all these places you have dedicated," he told the visiting Torontonians, "which are involved with very, very important activities, will flourish and that you will become a part of these places. The best way to identify with a place is to build it up, so that through this type of activity you become a part of it."

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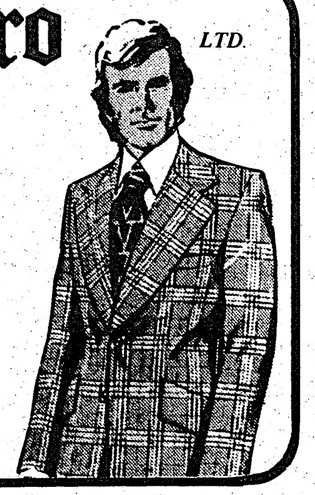

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'Anyone who has anything to do with Histadrut should be proud'

Address By The President of Israel, Ephraim Katzir, To The Toronto Histadrut Delegation May 19, 1975.

Dear Friends:

I am delighted to have you here and to welcome you officially. I am very glad to greet you on behalf of my greatest friends of the Histadrut in Israel. I **myself have been a member of Histadrut since 1928 and have followed its activities in all these years.** I also wish to say that the fact of your coming here in these difficult times is for us a great indication that Jews all over the world have an understanding of what is going on in Israel and wish to be with us during this critical time.

I don't have to elaborate upon the difficulties that we have faced during the last few years and which our State must face in the future. These are difficulties about **security, economic difficulties, social difficulties. In all these we need the co-operation, help and understanding of our Jewish friends throughout** the world — and the Jews in Canada, I know, represent a warm-hearted Jewish community among whom I have many friends.

I have always felt that we need not only financial support from Jews abroad but that we need their brains, their skills and more than anything — we need them to give their hearts. And the fact that in Canada we have such a wonderful Jewish community is really a great pleasure and great help and encouragement to all of us here.

I feel that it is perhaps worthwhile to indicate it again and allow me to tell you, as President of this country, that the **Histadrut is undoubtedly one of the most important pillars upon which this country stands. Its activities in agriculture — kibbutzim, moshavim, kvutzot — its activities in industry have led to remarkable results.** But its activities as far as co-operatives go, as far as protecting the workers, are most impressive — and this despite the criticism which one hears here and there about the Histadrut. I do not tell you this because so many of my former colleagues now hold key positions in the Histadrut, but I feel it can be said because, on balance, the activities of Histadrut are so remarkable — and everyone who has anything to do with Histadrut should be proud of it.

Perhaps what is to me the most appealing activity of Histadrut is **its concern with health — Kupat Holim, its hospitals, its clinics, its doctors.** As far as vocational education goes, this is a most important challenge which the Histadrut is meeting, because we need young people with skills and professions to build up the economy of this country. And last but not least, of course, are **the activities of Histadrut in building up a viable, homogeneous, healthy society.**

We have Histadrut members who came from far away places, who came here from all over this country just a couple of weeks ago and who told us about this type of activity — of Histadrut members who brought people from badly neglected areas of the world to Israel, from the Far East and the Near East, from northern parts of Africa and from Yemen and from India. The fact that Histadrut members try to educate them, try to wipe out illiteracy and succeed to such an extent in doing so is really a remarkable achievement. And of course, it is **Histadrut that mainly absorbs the Aliyah from Russia.** We hope that in the future this Aliyah will increase.

I always hope, and I continue to hope, that those who come to see us will see not only the country but will meet the people of Israel, who are the most remarkable people that I have ever met in my life — and I have met people from all over the world in my years of teaching in universities. I say with full confidence that the Israelis are really a wonderful people and I hope that you have visited with them.

I always pray that our visitors will remain friends and become part of our family, that they will always participate in the activities which are going on in Israel just as we heard here today. I have gone over your program very carefully and see that in a very short time you succeeded in dedicating the Sam Kaporovsky Technical School in Tel Aviv. You made a visit to the Lady Davis Trade School. You have dedicated the Barkin Medical Centre in Petach Tikvah, the Children's Department in the Goelman Clinic in Kfar Saba, the Yakir Freedman Winnipeg project. In this short time you have also participated in the building of the Onim Youth Village in Kfar Saba by dedicating the Ingber Students' Dormitory and engaged in the establishment of a Scholarship Foundation for Amal Trade Schools in memory of the brother of Mr. Ben Freeman. All this only proves the effeciency of Canadian Jews, that they can do a lot in a short time.

I hope that all these places you have dedicated, which are involved with very, very important activities, will flourish and that you will become a part of these places. **The best way to identify with a place is to build it up, so that through this type of activity you become a part of it.**

I want therefore to say how glad I am that you are here. **I want to express my good will and appreciation for your indentification with our programs — which are your programs, which are programs of the Jewish people all over the world — and that you have, with good sense, undertaken practical types of activities which are most important for us.** I am sure they will enrich your own lives as well as the lives of coming generations which you will raise. Thank you, good luck and continue to do your good work.

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IZZY FREEMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION FOR AMAL TRADE SCHOOLS ESTABLISHED IN ISRAEL.

Shown as young men, Ben Freeman (left) and his late brother Izzy.

The Histadrut Delegation which recently dedicated important projects in Israel also participated in the establishment of a Scholarship Foundation for Amal Trade Schools in the name of the late Izzy Freeman, well-known Toronto builder who passed away four years ago. The proceedings took place at a special dinner honoring Mr. Ben Freeman at the Dan Carmel Hotel in Haifa.

The Izzy Freeman Scholarship Foundation was endowed by Mr. Ben Freeman in tribute to his brother's memory. An ardent Zionist and active communal worker during his lifetime, Izzy Freeman made provision in his will for many deserving institutions, among them Mount Sinai Hospital. The Jewish National Fund received a bequest of $2,500 for trees to be planted in his name and other organizations, such as the Independent Order of Oddfellows and Lagover Society, of which he was a member, were also beneficiaries.

The first $25,000 has been turned over to the Amal Scholarship Fund by Ben Freeman, who is maintaining the family tradition of supporting the State of Israel and all worthy causes on behalf of the Jewish people. Hundreds of under-privileged youngsters, whose families could not otherwise afford tuition fees for schooling beyond primary grade level, will now have the opportunity, through the Izzy Freeman Amal Scholarship Foundation, of acquiring the education, trades and skills that will make them useful and productive citizens — who will, in a few years, contribute to the upbuilding and economic viability of the State of Israel.

Mr. Ben Freeman, his nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Freeman, visit with a group of students at the Trans Yarkon Comprehensive Vocational Training and High School in Tel Aviv — the largest trade school in the Middle East. Standing left to right: Sam Freeman; Principal Dr. Shlomo Shenhar; Ben Freeman; Lily Freeman.

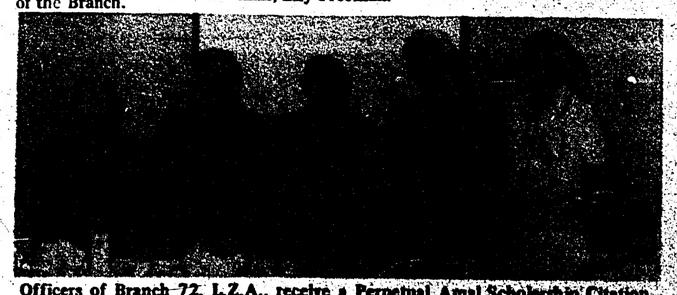
Toronto Landsleit from Klimontov Perpetuate Memory of Shmul Goldwasser

Landsleit from Klimontov, Poland, assembled recently at a Memorial Meeting in Toronto to honor the memory of those Landsleit who perished in Europe. In conjunction with the meeting a Perpetual Scholarship was established in the name of the late Shmul Goldwasser, author, lecturer and life-long Zionist, who died in Israel.

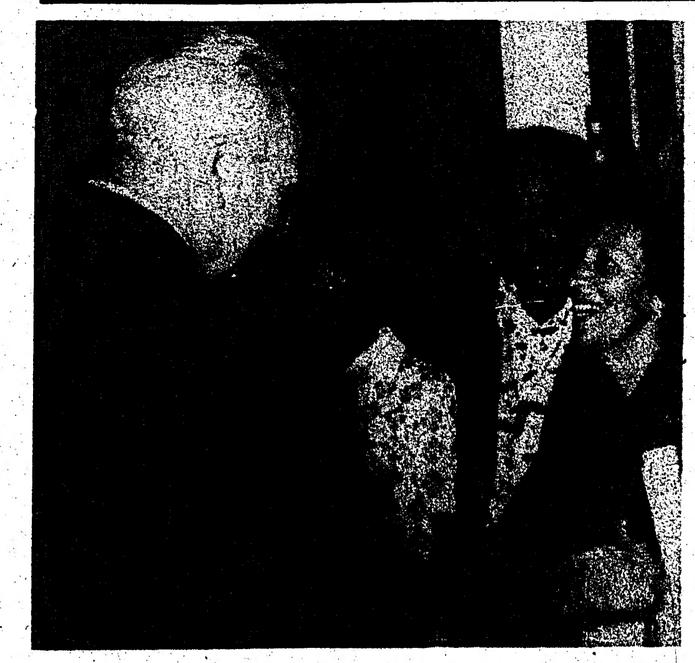
The Perpetual Scholarship established by the Klimontov Landsleit of Toronto, which will enable underprivileged youth in Israel to avail themselves of the training offered by the Amal Vocational Schools of Histadrut, is indeed a fitting tribute to the memory of Klimontov's foremost citizen and can well serve as an example to other organizations.

Sholom Aleichem Branch 72, L.Z.A. Establishes Perpetual Scholarship

Founded over 50 years ago, Sholom Aleichem Branch 72 is one of the oldest branches in the Labor Zionist Alliance (Farband). For half-a-century its veteran members have been leaders in the Labor Zionist Movement, among the staunchest supporters of the Israel Histadrut Campaign and prominent in all activities on behalf of Israel and the local community. At a Luncheon Meeting Sunday, June 22, $2,500 was presented to the Israel Histadrut Campaign for the establishment of a Perpetual Amal Scholarship in Israel in the name of the Branch.



Officers of Branch 72, L.Z.A., receive a Perpetual Amal Scholarship Citation. Left to right: Aaron Sadoff, Recording Secretary; Arthur Tenen, Vice-Chairman; Sam Yollick, Chairman; Jacob Egit, Associate Director Histadrut Campaign; Boris Sperber, Financial Secretary.



Above, Harry Mendelbaum, Vice-President of the United Organizations for Histadrut, looks on as President Ephraim Katzir congratulates Jacob Egit for the many important projects which the delegation succeeded in dedicating in a short time.

At left, President Ephraim Katzir welcomes members of the delegation; (left to right) Mr. Harry Barkin, Mrs. and Mr. Sam Kaporovsky, Mrs. Clara Egit, tour operator.

Zoo Sight to tour Ontario, Quebec

Canadian company backs art gallery project

By Wanda L. Wintrobe

TORONTO —

Manuel Elkind, president of Elks Stores, and his wife, Lorraine, staged a cocktail party recently in the members' lounge at the Art Gallery of Ontario, just prior to the opening of a new photography exhibition, Zoo Sight. They had cause to celebrate. By sponsoring Zoo Sight, Elks Stores became the first all-Canadian company to fund a project of the AGO's Extention Services.

Elkind, an avid collector of paintings and sculpture for the past 10 years, hopes to provide the art world with the same kind of successful management ability and packaging he has given to retail sales of menswear.

This young man in his early 40s has already taken a one store operation started by his father, and built it into a major company chain with over 70 stores throughout Ontario and Quebec.

In his offices and selected stores hang lithographs and prints by Elkind's favorite contempory artists: Victor Vasarely, Max Bill, Allan D'Arcangelo, Jean Miro and Alvin English. Art works in the Elkind home are a mixture of contemporary and post-impressionism, including a Marc Chagall.

Following its Toronto appearance, Zoo Sight will tour Ontario museums over the next two years in all cities where Elks Stores are situated and then move into Quebec. "I hope that by directly involving my personnel with the show in each city, our company will be recognized as a community supporter," Elkind explained.

"Even people who have no interest in art should go out of their way to see this exhibition," he continued. "It's a living and human thing."

Businessman Manuel Elkind (centre), gets together with two of the photographers whose work is displayed in the exhibit called Zoo Sight. Photographers are Michael Mitchell (left) and Shin Sugino. Elkind's company has funded the exhibit which will travel Ontario during the next two years. (Brian Willer photo)

Elkind is also enthusiastic about the artistry of the 150 superb full-color images of the new Metro Toronto Zoo now on display at the gallery. They were compiled this spring by three of Canada's top photographers, Susan Trow, Shin Sugino and Michael Mitchell.

As one who appreciates photographic excellence, I share Elkind's excitement about the exhibition. The animals are depicted with originality of style and with humor. I was most impressed by Susan Trow's patient observation and eye for abstract design.

Shin Sugino concentrates on photographic sequences to tell a story, yet there is always a definite sense of pattern to his art.

Michael Mitchell is a talented photographer with a touch for humor. By juxtaposing an old teddy bear against several animals, he achieves contrast and dramatic impact.

It is a rhythmical, cohesive show worth viewing.

Reconstructionist convention attracts 150, delegates study situation of world Jewry

By SHEBA GOLDSTEIN

MONTREAL —

Fifteen rabbis stood together on the bimah, sharing an aliyah. Only six of them were over 30. Probably no chassidic shul ever enjoyed as high a concentration of rabbis per square foot.

The Sabbath services, led by Rabbi Lavy M. Becker, were part of the 15th annual convention of the Reconstructionist Congregations and Havurot, the second to be held in Montreal.

During the first convention, held here in 1967, the decision to establish the Reconstructionist College in Philadelphia was made, and some of the college's first graduates were among the 15 to share the aliyah.

The Jewish Condition Today — A Reconstructionist Overview was the theme of this year's four-day convention attended by over 150 delegates from many parts of the United States and Canada, as well as interested members of the Montreal Jewish community.

Those attending the convention expressed appreciation at the warmth and friendship of the welcome received from their Montreal hosts.

Members of the Reconstruction Movement — the first religious movement indigenous to North America, arose to meet the challenge of contemporary Judaism," attempting to analyze the crisis of contemporary Jewry the world over, and consider viable approaches and solutions in meeting the problems of Jewish Peoplehood."

Problems of alienation and identification, of study as worship in the synagogue, and of music in the life of the Jew were dealt with in workshops.

The condition of Jewish peoplehood, of Jewish belief, and shaping a Jewish life style were some of the topics dealt with by the speakers.

Women participate along with men in all Reconstructionist functions. At the Sabbath services the haftorah was chanted by a woman from Manhattan, and Rabbi Ludwig Nadelmann, executive vice-president, Jewish Reconstructionist Foundation, led a Torah study session.

A seven month old baby from New York gurgled happily in a tallit that matched her father's. They were made by the child's mother who wanted to be sure that her daughter would "get an early start in identifying herself with the Jewish people."

Ruth Sanberg, a second year rabbinic student, presented an illustrated lecture on the Hendler Bible collection, now housed in the college library.

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One of the students present spoke of her time at the college as "the most exciting educational experience of my life."

Among the noted speakers at the Reconstructionist convention were Dr. Ira Eisenstein, president of the Jewish Reconstructionist Foundation and of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College; Rabbi Alan W. Miller of New York; Rabbi Neil Brief of Skokie, Ill.; Herbert Dordick of Los Angeles; Robert Spector of Evanston, Ill.; Rabbi Kenneth Berger of Greenbelt, Md.; Dr. Judith Eisenstein of New York and Philadelphia, Pa., and Rabbi Lavy Becker of Montreal.

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Montreal chapter started

Organization helps war widows

By Stephanie Brussell

MONTREAL — When the official mourning period is over and the relatives go home, the widow of an Israeli soldier killed in a war must begin again.

The effort is monumental and Shifra Golombowitz knows the feeling better than most. Left with two small daughters and a newborn son following the death of her parachutist husband in the Six Day War, she decided to help other families like her own.

The "Widows and Orphans Fund of the Fallen Heroes of Israel" was born and Mrs. Golombowitz continues to be its backbone.

A handful of chapters have started in North America and Montreal's infant group is headed by Gitel Rosenberg.

"We want to help alleviate their sorrow and to show that our hearts go out to them," she stated.

In Israel, under Mrs Golombowitz's direction, the group contacts each family directly. Emotionally, widows are supported by each other and encouraged, according to Rosenberg, "to live and not feel like broken limbs on a tree."

Sixty boys celebrate their bar mitzvahs before the eyes of Premier Rabin (seated, middle) and Chief of Staff Mote Gur. This is annual event of the Widows and Orphans Fund of the Fallen Heroes of Israel.

Trips and outings are organized for the children, holidays and birthdays are observed with parties and gifts and communal gatherings are arranged.

Eventually it is hoped that a centre will be built for the families, adds Mrs. Rosenberg, as well as rest homes and vacation camps.

Most spectacular of all the organization's work is the collective bar mitzvah which has been held annually since 1967. Last year, 60 boys ascended into manhood before 7,000 guests, including Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and other dignitaries from government and the army.

Each boy is visited personally by the organization and assisted in his preparations. He is also supplied with his own tefillin. Individual bar mitzvah celebrations are arranged for those who prefer private affairs.

The soldiers came from every area of Israel, says Mrs. Rosenberg, and the orphans represent a cross-section of all Jews.

The 1975 bar mitzvah will take take place in July and Mrs. Rosenberg is hoping that the Montreal chapter will be able to come up with some of the funds to back the celebration.

"I feel we are interlinked, that we are responsible one for another, that is why I am driven to help my brethren in Israel," she explains. "Often, I think of the widows and say 'there but for the grace of God go I'."

At the 1974 bar mitzvah, one boy, after promising his dead father to honor nation and family and thanking his mother for her love and care, added a note of appreciation to the organization's founder — "I'd like to thank you, dear Shifra, for making it possible for me to arrive at this proud standing."

Cote St. Luc twins with city of Ashkelon

By ELLIE COLEMAN

MONTREAL — The small city of Ashkelon is located on Israel's Mediterranean coast just north of Tel Aviv; Cote St. Luc is a Montreal municipality with a population of 26,335, the majority of which is Jewish.

Although they don't exactly bring to mind St. Paul and Minneapolis, Cote St. Luc and Ashkelon have become, as of June, "twinned" cities.

Cote St. Luc designated its twin city after receiving a letter from the Town Twinning Association of Canada, an international organization committed to developing better understanding among nations. The TTA suggested to Cote St. Luc's city council that it pair itself with the city of another nation.

At a council meeting in June, city councillor Nathan Shuster moved that Ashkelon be adopted as his municipality's twin city.

Twinning implies a series of exchanges. Cote St. Luc's Mayor Samuel Moskovitch will probably find himself visiting Ashkelon while the mayor of Ashkelon may visit Cote St. Luc. Citizens' groups from each community may cross the ocean to visit their twin community. In addition, there will be a trading of community information and literature.

Shuster sees the twinning of Cote St. Luc and Ashkelon primarily as a means of giving Israel more help.

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Jackie Gleason is being sought to read the Declaration of Independence during opening night ceremonies which will probably be telecast on nationwide television.

The 90-minute extravaganza of music, singing and dancing will illustrate such themes as Columbus discovering America, the Westward movement, the Civil War, Ziegfield Follies, immigrants coming to America and man landing on the moon.

The Miami Beach Tourist Development Authority has contributed up to $300,000 toward staging the multi-media documentation of major periods in the history of the United States.

A Musical Cavalcade of America's History was conceived by Earnie Seiler, who for 40 years devised the famous Orange Bowl half time show. The event is endorsed by the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce.

The musical history will stress patriotism in songs of work, love and war climaxed by group singing of **God Bless America.**

Some of the dance highlights will be a ballroom scene in the Civil War era, the Ziegfield Follies and a barroom number from the Wild, Wild West.

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Though the American Bicentennial Celebration will not start officially for another year, many New York State communities are warming up to the spirit of '76 with historical celebrations in '75.

Among the military events of 1775 to be celebrated this year are the capture of Fort Ticonderoga, the capture of Crown Point, the capture of Skenesborough (now Whitehall) and Montgomery's march to Quebec.

The bloodless capture of Fort Ticonderoga by Ethan Allen and the Green Mountain Boys took place at about 4 a.m., May 10, 1975. Descendants of the original attacking party re-created that historic moment at the same time of day. The celebration began on Friday evening with a fife and drum concert and drill at Ticonderoga's Community Building, and concluded Saturday evening with an old-fashioned fiddler's contest and square dance on Champlain Avenue.

Not to be outdone, the village of Whitehall celebrated the capture of Skenesborough by those same Green Mountain Boys, who accomplished the job without Ethan Allen the day before they got to Ticonderoga back in 1775.

The busy Green Mountain Boys ousted the British from Crown Point two days after Fort Ticonderoga fell, and that occasion was noted with a walking tour of the strongpoint on May 11.

The expedition to Quebec in 1775 was a daring, ambitious, though unsuccessful effort. The plan was to capture Montreal and Quebec, thereby depriving the British of a base for military operations from the north against the colonies. It was a two-pronged drive, with General Richard Montgomery leading his forces from New York via Montreal and on to Quebec, while Benedict Arnold and another army tramped overland through the Maine wilderness to join Montgomery in the assault on Quebec. Had it worked, the military strategies of the revolution would have been changed.

Montgomery took Montreal and went on to Quebec. Arnold, after a tortuous struggle through uncharted forests, swamps and mountains, did arrive, but the joint assault on the citadel was repulsed. Montgomery was killed, and Arnold was shot in the left leg — the same leg injured later at the Battle of Saratoga.

Montgomery's contribution to the Quebec attempt will be remembered with a series of events, starting in Rhinebeck (where he lived) on Sept. 13 with a tour of historic homes standing in 1775, including homes of General and Mrs. Montgomery. In the same village, the capture of Montreal will be celebrated, Sept. 27-30, with a military ball, memorial services, parade, pageant and fife and drum muster.

Commemoration of Montgomery's march to Quebec will begin on Sept. 29 with a memorial service in St. Paul's Chapel in New York City, where Montgomery is buried. That will be followed by luncheon in historic Fraunces Tavern. Members of the Brigade of the American Revolution taking part in these activities then will move to the house in the Bronx that was owned by Montgomery. Retracing Montgomery's route, the Brigade will move up the Hudson to New Windsor Cantonment near Newburgh on Sept. 30, to Albany on Oct. 1, and then on via Lake George Ticonderoga and Montreal, to Quebec.

Finally, on Dec. 30 in Rhinebeck, a memorial service will be held in honor of Montgomery, whose death at Quebec came on Dec. 31, 1775.

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Jest Society's Martin Bronstein says

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By JENIVA BERGER

Martin Bronstein speaks at such a clipped pace — his truncated sentences bear a similarity in that they're mostly about satire — that you feel his brain must be two steps ahead of his vocal chords.

In his improvisational revue, **The Best of the Jest Society** which has recently opened at the Teller's Cage for a limited engagement. Bronstein has culled the favorite and most successful sketches from his company's six-year history.

"Some of them have never been committed to paper before," he says, lighting up a well-worn pipe over a light luncheon his attractive Dutch-born wife, Marie-Jose, prepared.

Does a discussion of what is good satire fit in with pheasant soup, pate, and cheese? It must, for Bronstein seldom lets the subject go. It follows us from the autumn-colored living room to a sunny dining room which is crowned with a handsome homemade clavichord Martin and Marie-Jose built themselves after an authentic 15th century Renaissance piece. If you didn't know Bronstein was a writer-performer, you'd swear he was a musician. Books and instruments dominate the house and he has an impressive collection of some 60 flutes.

But satire is his business and it is to satire that we commit ourselves this June day.

"The satirizing of policy and trends are very difficult, and the standards are very stringent," he says with a bit of authority, for his show has earned critical accolades and given pleasure to audiences from The National Arts Centre to the Herongate Barn Theatre.

"Take inflation as an example," he continues. "It's difficult to say we're going to satirize it without making everyone look a fool. Good satire is something that's actually

Martin Bronstein

happened; we only hold it up to look foolish. The Jest Society has done good political satire, but not enough."

It was in 1968 that Martin Bronstein met John Morgan in Montreal and formed a team to write radio's **Funny You Should Say That**, and TV's **Comedy Cafe.** The Jest Society evolved from the association receiving its birth pangs at the Saidye Bronfman Centre.

Bronstein and Morgan moved to Toronto in 1970 and, along with a succession of other actors, performed for three straight years on radio and stage.

"I think it's safe to say we were the first improvisational satire here," says Bronstein at my prodding as I ruminate on the good old days at the poor Alex Theatre when Toronto audiences were first introduced to sketches on contemporary Canadiana.

In 1973 the group went into limbo ("we were tired") as a stage group, saved for the occasional one-nighter and convention, but continued performing on TV shows such as **Everything Goes, Such is Life** and the **True North** series. Martin Bronstein filled in the rest of his time by writing and performing on CBC' **The Royal Canadian Air Farce** and inaugurating The Stephen Leacock Summer Festival of Humor at Orillia.

This present edition of The Jest Society features a brand new cast, and Bronstein isn't performing in it, just directing, which gives him a chance to take a comprehensive view of the material.

"I didn't realize how many of the sketches revolve around prejudice," he says. "Canadians get up tight if they see sketches of themselves as being prejudiced. They think they're beyond it."

But he views his job as a writer as satirizing what's happening in society. Prejudice, sex, politics, and attitudes, he explains, are all necessary components of a good revue "which should touch on everything."

"Satire," he adds, "isn't destructive. It's instructive."

'Alexandrovich is greatest concert singer anywhere'

music

By RICK KARDONNE

There is no doubt that Cantor Misha Alexandrovich is not only the greatest Jewish liturgical singer alive; he is probably the greatest serious concert singer anywhere in the world today. This little man with a big voice, smooth as silk yet dramatically capable of projecting the full range of all possible human emotions, thrilled a capacity audience at the Ninth Annual Ezra Kadima Schools Gala Concert at Beth Emeth Bais Yehudah Synagogue on June 4.

When one realizes that Cantor Alexandrovich had not sung **chazzonas** music for 38 years in Russia (he left the Soviet Union two years ago), his Toronto performance was doubly remarkable, as he effortlessly established himself as a foremost master of some of the most difficult liturgical technical passages possible. Although a tenor, Cantor Alexandrovich covered a two-octave range without the slightest degree of strain, making every note sound distinctive on its own.

As well as being an exceptionally fine singer, Cantor Alexandrovich is also an exceptionally fine actor, conveying a sense of subtly understated grandeur. There is a sense of Tolstoy-type epic pageantry in each song he does, integrally fused with truest Jewish from-the-heart, soulful compassion.

The supporting Toronto-based vocalists of this first-rate concert were also of high quality. Recent Soviet Jewish immigrant to Canada, Dr. Alexander Tumanov, provided a distinctive vocal counterpoint to Cantor Alexandrovich with his rich, authoritative vibrato baritone which is a natural blend of classic romantic opera with Yiddishkeit soul; a blend most effective in his rendition of **Dos Lied fun Bessarable.** The forceful power of Cantor Tibor Kelen's tenor voice, totally the exact opposite of Cantor Alexandrovich's silken smoothness but supremely emulative in its own right, provided yet another texture in what was a most admirably balanced program.

The two women singers were also texturally balanced: Gabriella Kelen (Mrs. Tibor Kelen) possesses a strong, piercing soprano which, however, was at times too unidimensionally harsh for Marc Lavry's important song **Shechorah Ani [I Am Black]**; a number which requires more sensitivity in interpretation than what Mrs. Kelen was able to convey. Perhaps it would have been more appropriate to have had this song interpreted by the full, expressing vibrato of Naomi Alexandroff, whose dramatic range is more well-rounded, even if her breath control in her solo rendition of Moshe Rappoport's **Yerushalayim** was a bit shaky.

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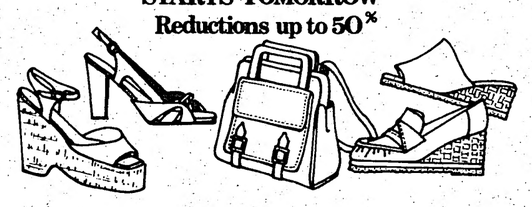

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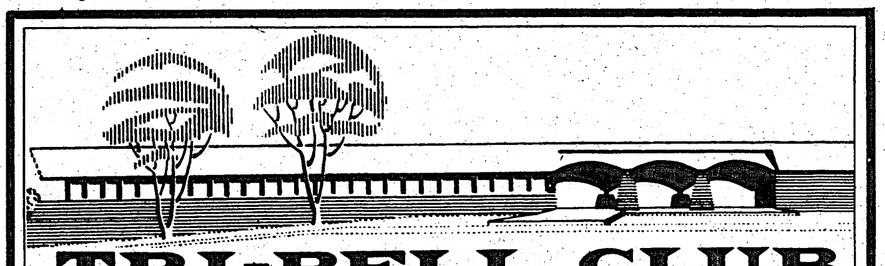

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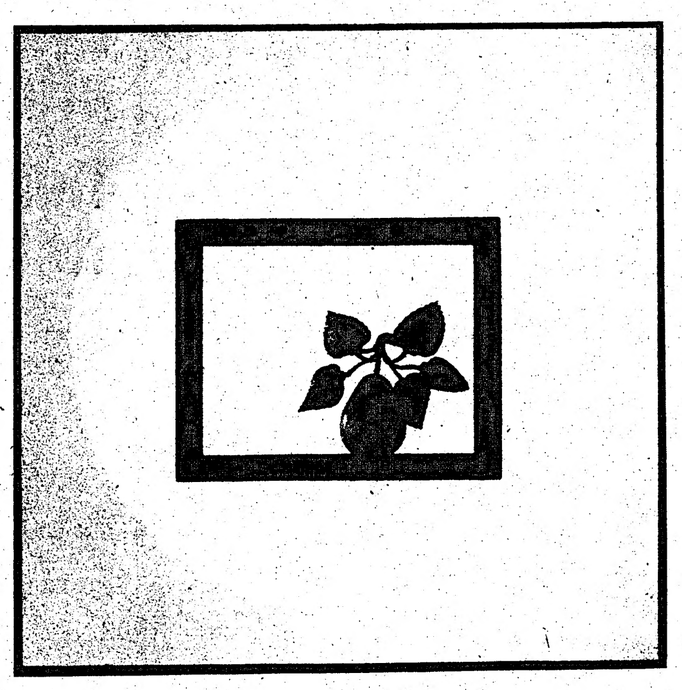

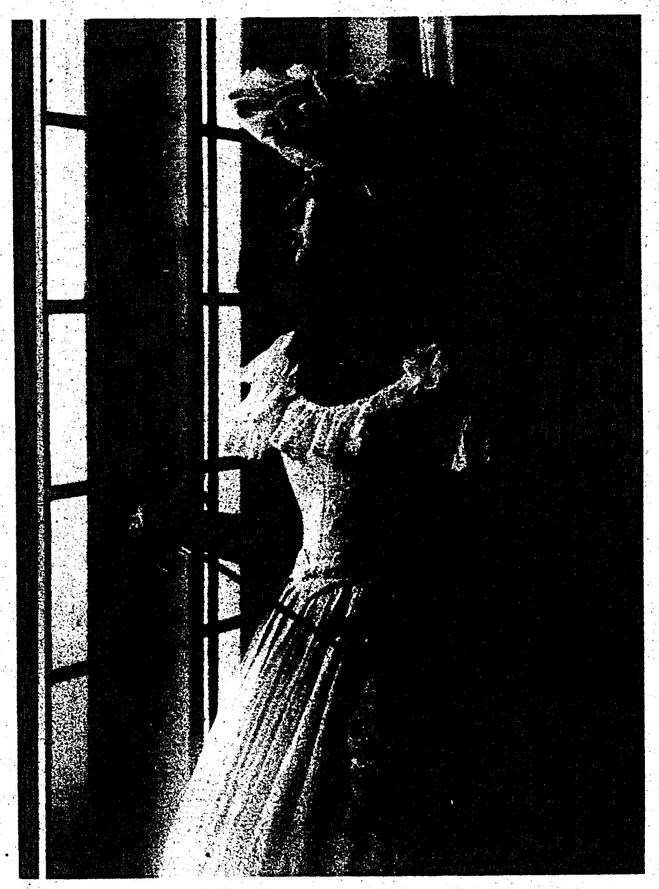

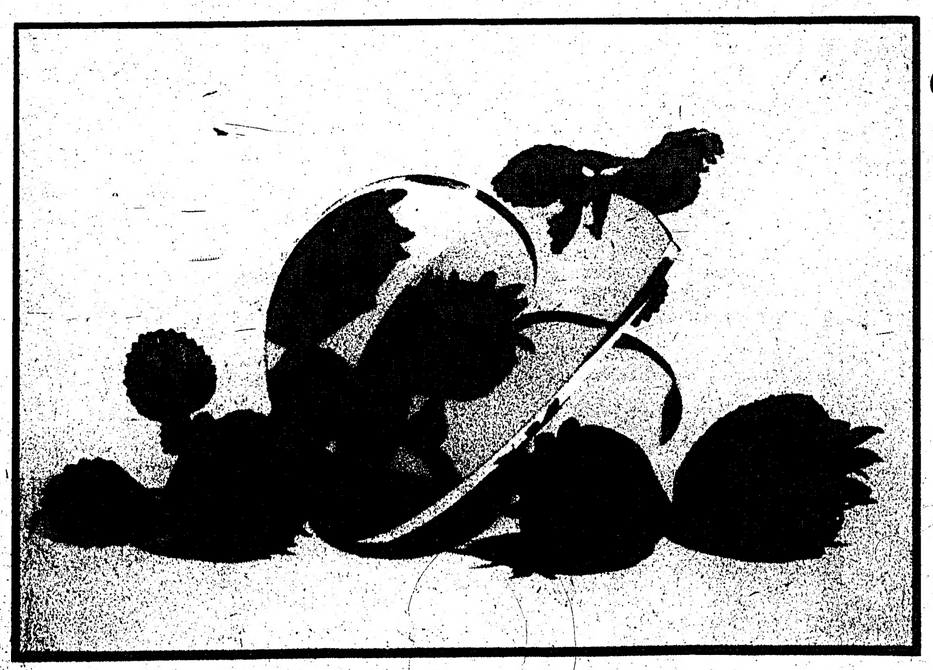

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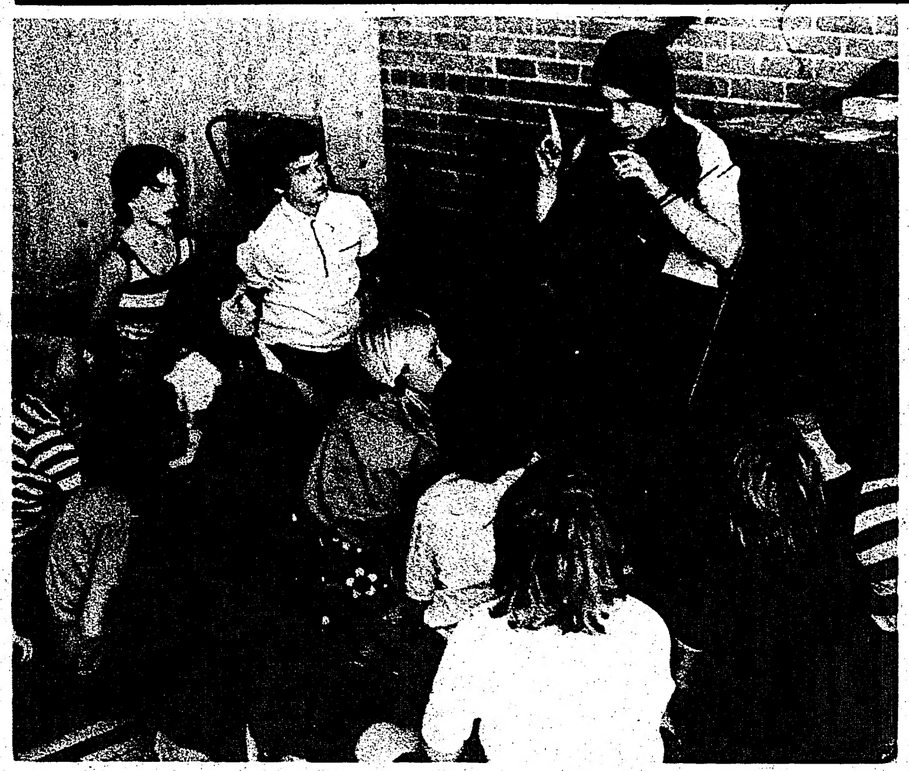

Linda Abrams explains to students at Drewry Public School how blind people tell difference between black and white chess pieces. She and two other young people received an Opportunity For Youth grant to tour North York public schools and speak about blindness. They visited 35 schools. (D. Groskind photo)

Blind student and two others battle against public ignorance

By LAURA GOLDSTEIN

TORONTO —

"Blindness is a battle against public ignorance. I became more acutely aware of this fact as I waited one day for the subway, and a stranger slipped a dollar bill into my hand," confided David Lepofsky, who is legally blind, and the instigator of an Opportunities For Youth Program, designed to propagate community awareness concerning the blind person in our society.

David, together with two sighted students, Sara Clodman and Linda Abrams, secured the OFY grant of $2,195 in February of 1975 — the purpose of which is to tour public schools in North York, speaking to youngsters as well as to their teachers, about blindness.

"We sent applications to many schools, and the response was overwhelming," Linda said. "We received about 70 requests, but since the program extends only from May 5th to June 13th, we selected about 35 schools to visit. Some people asked us to come for two and three days at a time," she added.

Working diligently around the clock, planning skits and displays that would stimulate as well as educate public school children, the three energetic students were forced to carry most of their equipment in a shopping cart, loading it onto buses and subways in order to reach their destinations.

However, the Canadian National Institute For The Blind assisted the project by providing pamphlets illustrating the general services offered by this organization throughout Canada. Jim Sanders, and David's mobility teacher, Gwelda Macdonald, also gave considerable time in helping the three students prepare their presentations.

Last month, Linda, Sara, and David, addressed members of Drewry Avenue Public School, in North York.

Grades 4 to 6 students sat in mounting anticipation, in the school gym, as the Cane and Able story unfolded. David and Sara reiterated the importance of learning the correct way to act as a guide for a blind individual, not by grabbing his or her arm, which is annoying as well as confusing.

David stressed that blindness is not synonymous with helplessness. "Some blind people do not wish to improve themselves. Others, teachers and lawyers have professional and rewarding careers."

While Linda demonstrated how a blind person copes with domestic responsibilities such as cooking, David and Sara discussed how braille is effectively used.

In the question and answer period following each hourly presentation, Sara, David and Linda were extremely impressed with some of the queries posed by the young children. Some of these included: Do blind people dream? Must blind people develop good memories?

Addressing as many as five classes in a given day, the three students attribute the ease and clarity with which they all so aptly project, to their Jewish leadership training, and religious schooling.

Linda, who is 19 and in grade 13 at ASP, teaches grade two pupils at Temple Sinai. She has won several achievement awards for outstanding Jewish studies, and was president of her youth group at Temple Sinai.

Attending the University of Toronto, Sara who is 18, has taught grades four and six students at Holy Blossom Synagogue in Toronto. She has two camp scholarships and in 1973 received a scholarship to attend Torah Corps in Warwick, N.Y. Sara is also an active member of the Toronto Student Council For Oppressed Jews.

At 17 years of age, David attends York University, and hopes eventually to study law. In 1970, he won the National Bible Contest. Holy Blossom awarded David three scholarship for his active participation in religious school. It was also at Holy Blossom, that David first became acquainted with Sara. He is presently teaching Jewish History at Har Zion Religious School.

All three students sincerely hope that similar projects will be undertaken every year. They have encouraged the children to create posters and place them in store windows and subway stations, in order to educate the public concerning blindness.

JDL files suit

NEW YORK —

The Jewish Defense League announced that it has filed suit to compel the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations and the American Zionist Federation, two of the leading American Jewish umbrella groups, to compel them to accept JDL as members in their organizations.

The legacy of Nazism

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The history of the Holocaust illustrates the degradation violence can inflict upon those lacking the power of effective resistance. This, said Rabbi Tanenbaum, explains why Israelis, especially those who survived the Holocaust, insist upon secured borders, conditions of guaranteed non-belligerency and will not trust vague assurances of peaceful co-existence in light of Arab action to render Israel "impotent" through its elimination from UNESCO, the WHO and the ILO.

He called on Christians and Jews to establish a "new humanism" in the wake of growing global barbarism and callousness, and to reduce "the abrasive effects of difference."

The assembly, ironically held across the river from Detroit, North America's most violent city, gathered 75 delegates, "policy-making and expediting leaders," from community service groups, church and synagogue. Sponsored by the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, the National Conference of Christians and Jews and the League for Human Rights, B'nai B'rith, the conference emphasized "designing and executing affirmative action programs" on four topic areas: alternatives to communication through violence; education and its effect on stereotyping and prejudice; the impact of media violence on values and societal behaviour; contemporary issues in Christian-Jewish dialogue.

The legitimation of violence and its perpetuation through the media, the rise of secularization and dehumanization and the death of absolute morality and justice were themes permeating much of the informal and formal dialogue among the assembled.

Another speaker to address the assembly, Dr. Lionel Rubinoff, Trent University philosophy professor, similarly outlined how violence has been institutionalized and integrated into everyday routines and correspondingly called for a society receptive to justice and humanity.

"Auschwitz, Hiroshima, My Lai, Kent State and Watergate are symbolic of...the obscenity of evil presenting itself under the guise of 'good', 'the final solution', the 'national interest', the 'manifest destiny', said Dr. Rubinoff.

Violence is an expression of impotency, he argued, and one solution to confronting the psychology of powerlessness is a "convivial" society — "a society inspired by the pursuit of justice rather than driven by an appetite for progressive consumption and growth, a society in which individuals 'celebrate' rather than 'exploit' each other's presence."

Dr. Rubinoff assisted in the preparation of a resolution, accepted by the Assembly and presented to guest speaker Justice Minister Otto Lang, calling on the Canadian government "to uphold the precept of morality and justice on the international level" by refusing the PLO's entry into Canada for the UN conference on crime.

Granting permission to the PLO, said Dr. Rubinoff would "communicate acceptance of terrorism as a legitimate means of bringing about political goals, thereby undermining the values of respect for law and the sanctity of individual life."

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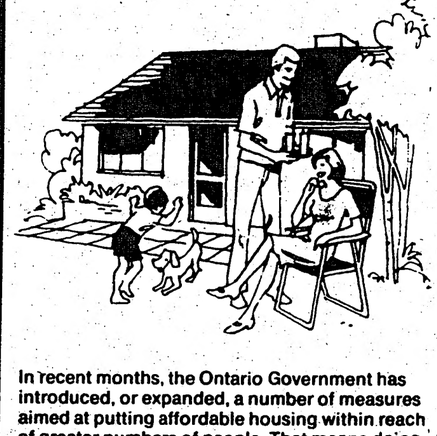

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Chassidim are building community in the north

By TOBA KORENBLUM
CJN Staff Reporter

TORONTO — With the pioneering spirit and perseverance of the first chalutzim, a group of Chassidim are building a modern community near the ancient biblical town of Hazor in the Galilee.

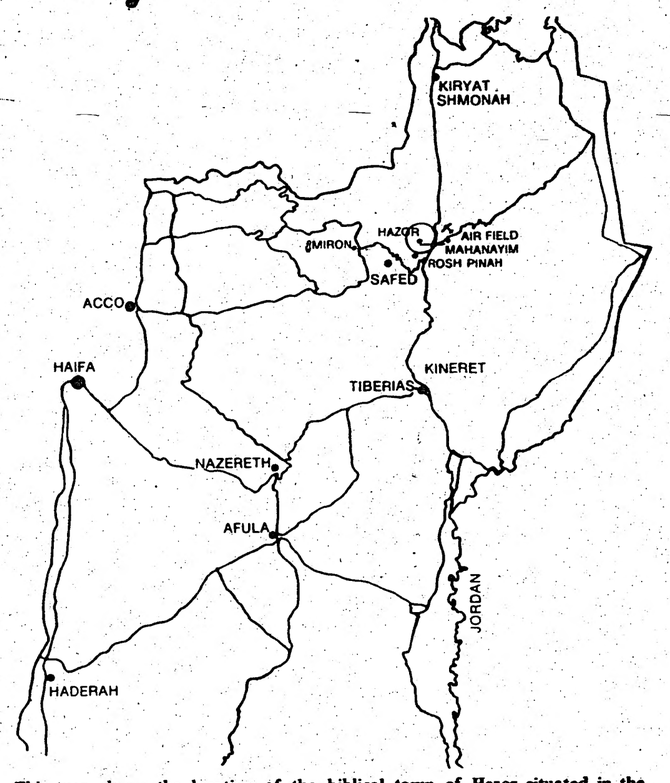
Situated on the main highway leading from Tiberias to Kiryat Shemona, only 12 km. from Safad, the new Kirya Chassidit is symbolic of the Israeli challenge — because of social, economic and security considerations.

The community's chairman of the executive, Rabbi Asher Nayhaus and its director-general, Eliyahu Levi, visited Toronto recently to promote the project and seek recruits for the town of Hazor itself.

The two Gurer Chasids, on a tour of New York, London, Antwerp and Belgium, spoke about the problems of a developing town bordering the Golan Heights and the cultural and religious gap between the residents of Hazor and the Chassidic Kirya.

The town's residents, numbering 6,000, are 98% immigrants from Morocco, North Africa and Asia, the Chassidim, most Israeli born, desire to live according to their traditions while still involving themselves with the town's destiny.

The Israeli government has been keenly interested in the Chassidic project, because, as Rabbi Nayhaus explained, Hazor is one of the weakest of Israel's 29 developing towns.



This map shows the location of the biblical town of Hazor situated in the Galilee. A group of Chassidim are in the process of building a new community.

The government is concerned about the increasing Arab birth rate in the Galilee — 47% of the area's citizenry is Arab. This problem, coupled with the security risk to communities near the Syrian and Lebanese borders, has made Hazor a priority settlement town.

The community's emissaries, Rabbi Nayhaus and Levi, don't see these difficulties as insurmountable and their nationalistic zeal and faith have caused them to renounce personal goals on behalf of their new ideal.

Already, 98 Chassidic families have committed themselves to a future in the new kirya. These include 60 family groups and 38 young couples from Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Bnei Brak and Haifa. Within six months, 180 apartment dwellings will accommodate the newcomers in this first stage of development.

Nayhaus and Levi expect that the community will ultimately contain 600 housing units — dwellings for over 3,000 — with room for expansion.

Respecting the natural beauty of their surroundings, the community's planners have designed low-rise dwellings with private access to gardens, in addition to public parkland. Traffic is prohibited within the kirya.

Public and community buildings in the centre of the development will house a Beth Midrash, mikvah, synagogue, yeshiva, teachers' college with dormitories and a large auditorium.

In their desire to integrate with the residents of Hazor proper, the businessmen of the Kirya Chassidit will locate most commercial and industrial concerns within the town. They plan to build a large medical centre in the town's core to service local residents as well as surrounding settlements.

While in New York and Toronto, Nayhaus and Levi met with religious and social leaders within and outside of the chassidic communities. In addition to seeking recruits, they were soliciting funds to support public facilities as well as reaching investors interested in the newly developing Hazor.

Although no representative committee has yet been established in Canada, interested parties can contact Ezriel Reichman in Toronto at 789-1572.

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The 'Let's Get Acquainted' program, which is being run under the auspices of Tour Ve'Aleh, offers an inexpensive, first-hand opportunity to see what life and work in Israel is really like, according to Yitzhak Dar, director of the program.

" 'Let's Get Acquainted' tour participants will have ample time," Dar pointed out, "to meet the people of Israel and to explore the vast opportunities for settlement, employment, and business in Israel." Dar said the Tour Ve'Aleh visitors will be given an inside look at the 'real Israel' seldom seen by the average tourist.

As a singer and president of Hadassah—WIZO Council, Ruth Slater is a well-known figure in Hamilton. She has also been a conductor and cantor. (Hoz)

'A large dose of daring and dash of chutzpah'

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

Ruth Slater is kind of woman who looks a challenge squarely in the eye — and sets to work. Now that she is a little older and a little wiser she may think a little more before she undertakes something — but turn it down? No more now than she would have done when she was young and tackled whatever came her way with a good measure of enthusiasm, a large dose of daring and a dash of that good old Jewish standby, chutzpah.

She has never been known to be short of courage, and if today she shudders at the thought of some of the things she's done — like taking on the mezzo-soprano part of the Verdi Requiem Mass, a very difficult part, when she was barely out of her teens — it's not because she did it at all but because she did it without so much as a second's hesitation.

"I always did have a lot of nerve," she says "and I always welcome a new challenge."

So why, then, should she be nervous about becoming president of Hamilton's Hadassah-WIZO Council? "Because," she explains with an apologetic little grin, "I've never been a president before!"

Though an active member of Rebecca Taylor Chapter ever since its formation nearly 20 years ago, Mrs. Slater has never held any office until she took on the Youth Aliyah campaign chairmanship a few years ago. The vice-presidency followed and now:— "It's the last thing I thought I would ever do but...well, here I am." She was installed as president for a two-year term at the official year-end closing ceremony May 26.

For someone who's been appearing as a singer before audiences most of her life, who's never been daunted by public appearances and is obviously brimming with self-confidence, to confess to being nervous about becoming president of an organization is rather touching. But maybe it's because singing comes naturally to Mrs. Slater and being president is a job that has to be learned. Even so, she has never shied away from learning something new.

Like being a cantor, for instance. About three years ago she was asked by the newly formed Temple Tikvah congregation in St. Catharines if she would consider serving as cantor and "it was just too interesting not to accept."

Or being a conductor. When the conductor of the Burlington Opera Society, where she had been helping with languages in rehearsals, resigned, she was asked to take over. She did.

Or being an interviewer, singer, writer and just about everything else on the Shalom show on cable 8...or a fashion commentator...

But whatever else she does, music remains Mrs. Slater's great love. Like every "good little Jewish girl" she began with piano lessons — and sang along. She sang at school, at camp, in Gilbert and Sullivan productions in high school in Toronto, where her music teacher suggested singing lessons. She has sung in both synagogue and church choirs ("I am very ecumenical") and was lucky enough to get scholarships for further study wherever she happened to be.

Since coming to Hamilton in 1955 she has appeared in many roles with the Hamilton Opera Company and was a soloist in a performance of Beethoven's 9th Symphony with the Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra. She was a soloist with the Temple Anshe Sholom choir for 10 years, has sung for just about every Jewish organization in the city and her rich, warm mezzo-soprano is heard at most Jewish functions.

A proud Jew and confirmed Yiddishist, it is Jewish music she enjoys most and one of her most gratifying recent appearances was at a noon-hour concert at McMaster University.

Media, schools 'encourage violence'

By TOBA KORENBLUM
CJN Staff Reporter

WINDSOR —

Delegates to A Continental Action Assembly of Christians and Jews chastized educational institutions and the media for "their irresponsibility in reinforcing value-distorting stereotypes and acting as breeding grounds for violence."

Dr. Garnet McDiarmid, associate professor at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Educatiion, said stereotyping promotes latent violence while "competition in the classroom engenders hostility, resulting in scapegoating to relieve tension.

"The inequity of subjecting some children to systematic discrimination and others to the reinforcement of negative stereotypes through textbooks and school treatment is a condition that must be identified and eradicated," he said.

Dr. McDiarmid, author of **Teaching Prejudice,** a report of a content analysis of social studies textbooks, worked on the Ontario Textbook Study investigating stereotyping of minority groups and omissions of their cultural and historical contributions. He chaired an action workshop at the assembly which focused on formal and informal education — textbooks, curricula, teacher recruitment and training, and "religious mis-education."

The assembly, held at the University of Windsor last week, attracted 75 delegates.

Lashing out at stereotyping and violence depicted in the media, Amanda Wallner, president of the Lansing (Michigan) Committee for Children's Television, accused broadcasters of distorting reality and being unresponsive to the needs of impressionable children.

"Television is a powerful teacher," said Ms. Wallner "and we have the right and obligation to question what it is teaching, and how it is being taught." Her Lansing Committee is concerned with the "preponderance of non-constructive stereotyping on TV and the long-term effects of violent television on the attitudes of children and their subsequent acts of aggression.

Ms. Wallner, chairman of the assembly's caucus group investigating the media, quoted American studies that show: children have fewer and less intense sets of actual experiences to offset the direct message of TV; four and five-year-olds do not understand the motivations and consequences of acts in TV shows, especially violent ones, and heavy adult viewers are much more likely to have misconceptions about crime, minorities and working women, for example.

Both Dr. McDiarmid and Ms. Wallner and their delegates' groups advocated means of alleviating stereotyping and violence while reflecting positive human relations and compassion in educational settings and through the media.

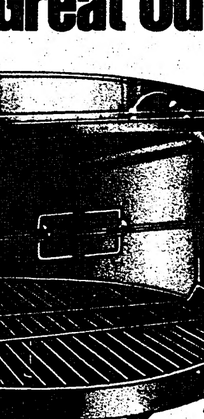
Dr. McDiarmid's group recommended methods "to improve and to institutionalize the role of human relations," through education seminars in the community and teacher training programs. To eliminate stereotyping, the group urged:

— a balance of faculty members of various ethnic backgrounds to serve as models;

— a broadening in the exposure of students to multi-cultural experiences;

— a re-evaluation of education programs and sermons in churches to avoid a "rejective image of Judaism;"

— the exchange of textbooks among religious groups to expose stereotyping and misinformation.



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